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Capt.	F. K. Leslie
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Capt.	H. T. W. Wyllie
Capt.	P. C. Wynter

*The biographies being arranged in alphabetical order,
it has been thought unnecessary to number the pages.*

2ND LIEUTENANT L. H. ALISON

Royal Berkshire Regiment

Rendalls 04¹-09¹

Aged 25

May 16th, 1915

SON of Captain C. G. Alison.

Monitor 1909. Beddington Prizes for Science. Champion Heavy Weight Boxer 1908. Natural Science Scholarship, Pembroke College, Cambridge. Represented Cambridge in the Inter-University Golf Competition. 1st Class Science Tripos.

On the outbreak of the War 2nd Lieutenant Alison enlisted in the Royal Berkshire Regiment, was at once made Lance-Corporal, and shortly afterwards given a Commission.

He went to the Front with the 1st Battalion of his Regiment in April, 1915, and on the 16th of the following month led his platoon into action against the German trenches at Richebourg l'Avoué. It was a night attack and no one saw him fall, but he never returned, and, though the ground covered by his Regiment was carefully searched, his body was never found; he is thought to have been buried under the earth thrown up by the heavy German shells, with which the ground was pitted. He was reported 'missing' on May 16th, 1915, but, as no news has since been received of him, his death has been presumed on that date.

The Captain of his Company writes :—

"He is a very real loss to the Company and to the Battalion, for officers and men alike loved him. . . . He had a very high sense of duty and was always cheerful. His platoon tell me that when the 'advance' was given he went ahead of them at once. You may be certain that he fell in a manner worthy of the very gallant gentleman he was."

The Colonel commanding the 3rd Battalion wrote to his father :—

"Your son was one of 600 recruits that I myself took out of Reading, all in plain clothes. Before I had got to the station, I had noticed him and selected him in my mind for promotion. . . . When he went to the 1st Battalion, I wrote to its Commanding Officer that I thought I had sent him a really good and dependable man, and so he proved himself to be. What can I say more, and how can a man die better? He was as fine a figure of a man as I have ever seen."



LAUGHTON HASSARD ALISON

CAPTAIN A. F. ANDERSON

Cameronians

The Park 86'-88'

Aged 43

April 23rd, 1915

SON of the late Colonel J. A. Anderson, and of Mrs. Anderson, of
19 Gloucester Square, W.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

After leaving Sandhurst Captain Anderson was gazetted to the 13th Hussars, in which Regiment he remained from 1892 to 1898. He served all through the South African War with the Queenstown Volunteers, receiving the Queen's Medal and two clasps.

On the outbreak of the present War he joined the Cameronians, but was attached to the 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers in October, 1914. He was badly wounded in the legs on April 23rd, 1915, but pluckily went on, till he was shot in the chest about ten minutes later. He had been in a big fight the day before and had written home that night saying he had to go through it again the next day, but that he did not see how he could possibly get through another day like it. He was buried where he fell, and a rough cross was put over his grave.



ABDY FELLOWES ANDERSON

CAPTAIN P. H. A. ANDERSON

21st Lancers

Newlands 94³-97³

Aged 34

September 5th, 1915

ONLY son of Colonel Charles John Anderson, of 49 Queen's Gate Gardens, S.W., and of Constance Louisa, daughter of the late Robert Allfrey, D.L., of Wokefield Park, Berkshire, and grandson of Sir George W. Anderson, K.C.B.

Married in 1905 Anne Catherine, only daughter of the late Colonel Hathorn, Coldstream Guards, of Castle Wigg, Co. Wigton.

Captain Anderson joined the 21st Lancers in 1900. He rode the winner of the Irish Grand Military Steeplechase in two consecutive years. From 1910-1914 he was Instructor in Cavalry Tactics at the Cavalry School of Instruction at Netheravon.

In June, 1914, he rejoined his Regiment at Rawal Pindi in India. He was killed commanding a Squadron of his Regiment in a cavalry charge, during an engagement with the Mohmands at Sheb Kador, on the Punjab Frontier, on September 5th, 1915.



PERCY HUME ALLFREY ANDERSON

LIEUTENANT G. J. B. ATKINSON

Worcestershire Regiment

The Head Master's 083-132

Aged 21

June 19th, 1915

ELDER son of Robert Hugh Montgomery Buddle Atkinson, Barrister-at-Law, and of Mabel Atkinson.

Oriel College, Oxford, 1913.

Lieutenant Atkinson applied for a Commission on the outbreak of the War and was gazetted to the 5th Worcesters. He left for the Dardanelles in May, 1915, being then attached to the 4th Battalion. From the time of landing he saw almost continuous fighting. He was killed at about 4 a.m. on June 19th, 1915, whilst leading his men into action in order to retake some lost trenches. He was buried close to the spot where he fell.

His Colonel wrote to his father :—

“Your gallant son had been with the Regiment about three weeks, and had seen a great deal of fighting. He had shown himself a really brave fellow, who, if he had been spared, would certainly have distinguished himself. On June 4th he took part in a very brilliant attack by the Battalion and showed himself as cool and collected under fire as possible. It was whilst leading the way over the parapet in front of his platoon that he received a shot in the head and was killed instantaneously. He was showing the greatest gallantry and dash in thus leading his men in the face of a very heavy fire.”



GEOFFREY JOHN BUDDLE ATKINSON

2ND LIEUTENANT G. H. BAGSHAWE

1st (Royal) Dragoons

The Knoll 04²-07¹

Aged 25

May 13th, 1915

ELDER son of Ernest Bagshawe (formerly Carver), of Poise House, Hazel Grove, Cheshire, and of F. Alice D. Bagshawe, grandson of W. H. G. Bagshawe, D.L., of Ford Hall, Derbyshire.

While at Harrow he was known by the name of Carver.

Christ Church, Oxford.

2nd Lieutenant Bagshawe joined the 1st (Royal) Dragoons in South Africa as a University Candidate in 1912. He left them next year to take up farming in Rhodesia but rejoined immediately on the outbreak of War. He went to France in October, 1914, and was wounded in the first Battle of Ypres; he was killed in the second Battle of Ypres on May 13th, 1915.

A senior Officer of his Regiment writes to his father :—

“In your son we have lost as good a troop leader as there ever was in the Regiment, absolutely cool and undisturbed under the most trying circumstances, knowing not the meaning of the word fear; well loved and rightly, highly esteemed and deeply regretted by Officers and all ranks of the Regiment. He has died a gallant death, in a good and just cause—and I can only say I most deeply regret him as a friend and as an invaluable officer. We, alas, lost heavily in the Regiment—out of 340 all ranks, there remained this morning, I believe, 180. The General told me to-night they fought right gallantly, and that is the only point we can be thankful for. May we in our turn do as well.”

His Major writes :—

“We have all lost a dear comrade.”



GEOFFREY HAMILTON BAGSHAWE

L. W. BATES

The Park 97³-99²

Aged 31

May 7th, 1915

ELDEST son of Lindon Wallace Bates, Constructor of Public Works, and of Josephine Bates, Chairman of the Women's section of the American Commission for Relief in Belgium, of 615 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Yale University, U.S.A. : Vice-President of the Bates Engineering Co. : travelled in Europe, Asia, North and South America, and Egypt, and spoke French, Spanish, and German fluently : a prominent member of the Republican Club in New York, and in 1908 elected to the New York State Assembly. Author of "The Russian Road to China" and "The Path of the Conquistadores," besides many technical articles in the leading magazines.

When the Commission for Relief in Belgium was started, Lindon Bates threw himself with characteristic energy into the work. He was drowned in the *Lusitania* on his way to England, to attend, at their request, the meetings of the London Committee. He first went below to try and save children, assisted at the launching of four boats, gave his own lifebelt to a woman who was without one, and then with three friends dived off the ship as she went down. His body was found on Eddy Island, Galway Bay, 230 miles from where the *Lusitania* was torpedoed, and was taken back to his home in America for burial.

The King of the Belgians wrote to his parents :—

"I learn with deep affliction of the death of your son travelling to aid our distressed people, and express to you my most sincere sympathy."

Theodore Roosevelt wrote :—

"He was one of the finest young fellows I knew. I was not only fond of him, but I admired and respected him and had unlimited faith in his future. There is an added horror in his murder—for murder it was, when he was going abroad on an errand of mercy."

From the Belgian Government :—

"Stricken with grief at the sad news that your noble son lost his life, when bringing help to the work undertaken by generous America to save our starving people, the Belgian Government respectfully offers its tribute of heartfelt sympathy with his sorrowing parents, and of admiration for the martyr to the cause of Humanity, whose name will live for ever in the heart of the Belgian nation."



LINDON WALLACE BATES

CAPTAIN M. A. N. BECHER

King's Own Scottish Borderers

Newlands 98³-03²

Aged 30

April 26th, 1915

ONLY son of Brigadier-General Andrew Craycroft Becher, of Ingleboro' House, East Runton, Cromer, and of Frances Maude Becher, *née* Johnson.

Trinity College, Cambridge.

Married, in 1912, Violet Isobel Todd, younger daughter of Charles E. Todd, of Wayside, St. Andrews, and leaves two daughters.

Captain Becher was gazetted to the King's Own Scottish Borderers in 1905, and was promoted Captain in 1914. He was in India when the war broke out and left with his Regiment for Ismailia, in October, 1914.

After being there for six or eight weeks, during which time there was no fighting, he returned with the Regiment to England. In March, 1915, they were ordered to the Dardanelles, being one of the units of the 29th Division. He was reported 'wounded and missing' on April 26th, 1915, the day after the Regiment had landed on Y Beach, Gallipoli. The Turks broke through the line shortly after he was wounded, and he was never seen again. No further information being forthcoming, he was, in June, 1916, officially presumed killed in action.



MAURICE ANDREW NOEL BECHER

2ND LIEUTENANT C. B. H. BECK

Cheshire Regiment (T.F.)

West Acre 05²-10²

Aged 24

August 15th, 1915

ONLY son of the late Colonel C. H. Beck, C.B., of Upton Priory, Macclesfield, J.P. for the County of Cheshire, who commanded the 4th (Militia) Battalion of the Cheshire Regiment in the South African War, and of Mrs. Beck, youngest daughter of the late Rev. C. F. Broughton, Rector of Snelston, Derbyshire.

Shooting VIII 1909-10. Pembroke College, Cambridge. Married in 1913, and leaves one son.

2nd Lieutenant Beck volunteered for active service on the outbreak of the War and received a Commission in the 7th Battalion of the Cheshire Regiment. He left England for the Dardanelles in July, 1915, and was fatally wounded, in saving his gun, at the landing at Suvla Bay. He died on the hospital ship *Euripides*, while being taken back to Alexandria, on August 15th, 1915.

A brother-officer wrote to his mother :—

“He was bringing the gun up when he was shot. I was about twenty yards in front and saw them come up the hill ; they got the gun itself up, when the man with the tripod got hit in the right hand, which made him drop it. Beck (who thought of nothing but his gun) ran back and picked up the tripod, and turned back ; he had only got about three strides, when he put his hand to his face and fell : the bullet went in just above his right eye, I believe, but he lived for some time after. . . . His men got the gun up and working well, enabling more men to come up under cover of its fire.”



CHARLES BROUGHTON HARROP BECK

2ND LIEUTENANT E. V. BELL

Manchester Regiment

The Headmaster's 10³-11³

Aged 18

August 14th, 1915

ELDEST SON of John Bell, A.S.C., of Middleton Cottage, Newmarket, and of Lilian Gertrude Bell.

2nd Lieutenant Bell joined the 11th Battalion of the Manchester Regiment, when he was only seventeen, and was sent to the Dardanelles in June, 1915. On August 14th he was acting as regimental signal officer and was making his way from his own Regiment to the 8th Northumberland Fusiliers; while so doing he had to pass a dangerous place, exposed to the fire of hostile snipers, one of whom succeeded in hitting him. He was at once attended to by a Medical Officer who was on the spot, but he died on the way to the Field Ambulance.

An extract from a letter received by his father says:—

“ . . . He did excellent work all through the fighting from August 7th until he met his death. His name was, I believe, one of those sent forward for ‘mention in Despatches.’ Whether it will eventually appear in the lists it is difficult to say, but I thought you would like to know that his Commanding Officers appreciated his work, and thought very highly of him. Lives like his are very hard to replace.”



ERIC VICTOR BELL

LIEUT.-COLONEL L. A. BOSANQUET

Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment

Home Boarders 76²-80¹

Aged 53

August 21st, 1915

ELDEST son of the late Arthur Bosanquet (O.H.), J.P., I.C.S., of Cleddon Hall, Monmouth, Judge, Bombay Presidency, and of his wife Isabella Matilda, daughter of Colonel Andrew Crawford, and grandson of Augustus Henry Bosanquet, of Osidge, Southgate, Herts.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Married, in 1892, Alice Emily, second daughter of the Rev. John Erskine Campbell-Colquhoun, J.P., D.L., of Killermont and Parscadden, Dum-barton, and leaves two daughters.

Colonel Bosanquet was gazetted to the Sherwood Foresters in 1883, was promoted Captain in 1892, and Major in 1903. He served in the Tirah Campaign, 1897-8, and took part in the operations of the Bazar Valley, in the action of Dargai and in the capture of Arhanga and Sanpacha Passes, receiving the medal with two clasps. He retired in 1911. Rejoining his Regiment on the outbreak of the War, he sailed for the Dardanelles in June, 1915, as Colonel of the 9th Battalion which he had himself trained. He landed on August 6th, and was in action on the 9th, 10th, and 21st. He was killed, it is believed by machine-gun fire, on August 21st, 1915, in "Dead Man's Gully," near Chocolate Hill, while leading his Regiment against a Turkish redoubt, with orders "to take it at all costs." He was mentioned in Sir Ian Hamilton's Despatch for "gallant and distinguished service in the field."

A General, whose Brigade found and buried his body, writes:—

"He must have done well, for he was close up to the enemy, ahead of most of his men, who were stretched out behind him, never a one with his back turned, and all in proper alignment."

A brother-officer writes:—

"May I express, on behalf of the Battalion which had the honour to be trained by him and which served under him, profound sympathy in your great loss. He was loved and admired by all."



LIONEL ARTHUR BOSANQUET

LIEUTENANT R. G. BREECE BOWEN

London Regiment (T.F.)

The Park 063-114

Aged 22

May 9th, 1915

ONLY son of George David Bowen and of Elizabeth Bowen.
Exeter College, Oxford, 1911.

Lieutenant Bowen joined the 1st City of London Regiment, Royal Fusiliers, soon after leaving school. After training in England for some months, he left with his Regiment in the beginning of 1915 for Malta, where they completed their training. He accompanied his Regiment to France in March, 1915, and was killed by a shell on May 9th, 1915, near Aubers Ridge.

Lieut.-Colonel E. G. Mercer, commanding 1st City of London Regiment, writes:—

"I particularly regret his loss, for I have known him so long. In Harrow days, when he was a small boy, our relations were of the most friendly sort. He was always willing, cheerful, and full of fun. It may be a consolation to you later to remember that he gave his life in the best possible way for any man to give it—for his country."

His Major writes to his mother:—

"Your son was killed in action on the 9th May at 7 a.m. during the first stage of the attack. He was waiting in the support trenches with his men, when a shell exploded near and hit him. He died almost at once. An Officer of the 8th Division, who was with him, informs me that, although so badly wounded, he still did his duty and ordered his men to move to a safer part of the trenches. . . . He is a great loss to us, especially to the Platoon which he commanded."

Colonel Rowe, who commanded the Regiment up to the time they left Malta, writes:—

"I have watched the career of every subaltern in the Battalion right from the start, and I was proud of them all, your son amongst them. He especially showed a great aptitude for military work, and from his charming manner was universally liked both on parade and in the Mess."



ROWLAND GEORGE BREECE BOWEN

CAPTAIN A. H. M. BOWERS

Durham Light Infantry

Elmfield 94²-98²

Aged 35

August 9th, 1915

ELDEST son of Colonel Maunsell Bowers (O.H.), late 5th Dragoon Guards, and of Mrs. Bowers, of Beeston Grange, Sandy, Bedfordshire.

Married, in 1910, Mary Jessie, daughter of the late Colonel C. Case, B.Sc., and leaves two daughters.

Captain Bowers was gazetted to the Durham Light Infantry in 1900. He saw active service in the South African War, 1900-2, receiving the Queen's Medal and two clasps, and the King's Medal and two clasps. He then served in India from 1903 to 1909, being promoted Captain in 1909. From 1910 to 1913 he acted as Adjutant to the 8th Battalion Durham Light Infantry.

He went to France in September, 1914, and served with the 2nd Battalion up to the time of his death, on August 9th, 1915. He was killed in action, while gallantly leading his Company, at Hooge.



ARTHUR HUGH MAUNSELL BOWERS

LIEUTENANT D. R. BRANDT

Rifle Brigade

Elmfield 013-062

Aged 27

July 6th, 1915

YOUNGER son of Robert E. Brandt (O.H.), of 15 Lennox Gardens, S.W., and of Mrs. Brandt.

Leaf Scholar 1906. Cricket XI 1904-5-6 : Football XI 1903-4-5 : (Capt. 1904-5) : threw the Cricket Ball in the School Sports 120 yards : won Light Weight Boxing in Public Schools' Competition, 1903. Exhibitioner of Balliol College, Oxford : 1st Class Mods : Oxford University Cricket XI 1907. B.A. and Fellow and Lecturer of Brasenose College, Oxford, 1910.

Lieutenant Brandt received a Commission in the Territorial Force as a Reserve Officer in 1911. He went to the Front in May, 1915. On July 6th, 1915, he was put in command of a Company, detailed to capture a German trench in Flanders, and in so doing was killed.

No name more justly entitled to honour and affection will be found in the long list of those who have fallen than that of D. R. Brandt. There have been few at Harrow to rival his combination of intellectual and athletic distinction, none in whom strength of character and personal charm have more happily blended both elements. As an athlete, perhaps the most dramatic of his individual feats was his carrying of a relatively weak House XI to victory in the Cock House Match of 1906, when he not only scored 61 out of 136, and 120 out of 266, but by sheer invincible determination took 11 wickets in the two innings, with the result that his House won by 5 wickets. Some may remember how, hurrying into Speech Room for Prize-giving after the match, and not being able to arrive till the proceedings had well started, he was covered with confusion by a spontaneous and universal roar of applause—a little incident, perhaps, but one probably unique in its way, and eloquent from its very spontaneity.

His services to his House can perhaps be more easily imagined than set down in detail; assuredly the influence of his character and of his capacity for friendship and for leadership did not end with his time. His services to the School were summed up by Dr. Wood in the pleasantry with which he gave him his leaving prize—he had many irons in our Harrow fire, and all his irons had been gold.



DRUCE ROBERT BRANDT

CAPTAIN E. H. BROCKLEHURST

Liverpool Regiment (T.F.)

Moretons 92²-96¹

Aged 36

May 5th, 1915

FIFTH son of Henry Brocklehurst, Chartered Accountant, and of his wife Ellen, *née* Hutchings, of Homesefton, Aigburth Drive, Liverpool.

Captain Brocklehurst joined the Volunteers as a Subaltern in 1900, and became Captain in the 6th Battalion The King's (Liverpool) Regiment. He was instructor in musketry to his Battalion.

He went to the Front in March, 1915, and was killed in action on May 5th, 1915. His company was ordered to advance and drive back the Germans who had captured part of their trench near Hill 60. While directing the operation he was instantaneously killed by a bullet from a machine gun.

A brother-officer writes :—

“I need not tell you that he was really beloved by the Mess, and also by his Company.”



EDWARD HENRY BROCKLEHURST

LIEUTENANT J. H. BROWNRIGG

Norfolk Regiment

The Head Master's 07³-11³

Aged 20

April 14th, 1915

ELDER son of the late Lieut.-Colonel Henry John Watt Brownrigg, R.E., and of the late Evelyn Brownrigg.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1912.

Lieutenant Brownrigg was gazetted to the Norfolk Regiment in 1913. In October, 1914, he joined the Battalion of his Regiment which was serving in Belgium, but left in the following month for Basra. He was killed in action, in the Persian Gulf, on April 14th, 1915.

Colonel (now General) Peebles wrote to his grandfather :—

“He was a very good lad and would have made a good soldier, had it not been willed otherwise. Your grandson was instantaneously killed during the attack on the Turks at Shaiba.”



JOHN HULEATT BROWNRIGG

2ND LIEUTENANT H. G. BYNG

Border Regiment

High Street 037-087

Aged 25

May 16th, 1915

THIRD son of the late G. Byng, and of Mrs. Byng, of 39 Fitzjohn's Avenue, Hampstead.

Monitor 1908. Head of his House. Gymnasium VIII 1908. Harvard University, Mass., U.S.A. Studied at various American electrical works, and then, after his father's death, came home to take his share in the management of the family business of the General Electric Company.

Married in March, 1915, Miss Evelyn Curtis, of Boston, Mass., U.S.A.

2nd Lieutenant Byng enlisted in the Artists' Rifles on the outbreak of the War, and went out to France in September, 1914. In the following March he was given a Commission in the Border Regiment, and on the 21st of that month came home to be married. Three weeks after his return to the Front he was shot, on May 16th, 1915, at the head of his men at Festubert.

His Commanding Officer wrote :—

"Mr. Byng was wounded whilst most gallantly leading his Platoon in action on May 16th. He was universally popular in the Regiment. He had done very good work reconnoitring the enemy's trenches, and his loss is very great to the Battalion."

His Adjutant wrote :—

"He was shot while leading his men and fell actually in the enemy's trenches. He lay quite uncomplaining and would not allow any of his men to carry him back, because of the danger to their lives."

His Platoon Sergeant wrote :—

"He was our superior Officer, but he was a true comrade. He lived well and died well."



HARRY GUSTAV BYNG

2ND LIEUTENANT G. P. CABLE

Rifle Brigade

Rendalls 05³-11²

Aged 23

May 9th, 1915

ONLY SON of Sir Ernest Cable, High Sheriff of Devon, 1916, senior partner in Bird and Co., Calcutta and London, ex-President of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce, and of Lady Cable, of Lindridge, Bishop's Teignton, Devon.

Monitor 1909. Magdalen College, Oxford, 1911.

2nd Lieutenant Cable obtained a Commission in the Rifle Brigade on the outbreak of the War in August, 1914, and went to the Front in March, 1915. He was killed while leading his Platoon in the attack on the Aubers Ridge.

Captain Nugent, 2nd Battalion Rifle Brigade, writes:—

“He led his Platoon with great dash and gallantry under a very heavy fire and showed himself to be a splendid officer and leader. He is a very great loss to the Regiment. In the attack this Battalion got further and held on longer to the ground gained than any other in the Brigade.”

Lieut.-Colonel Talbot, commanding 5th Battalion Rifle Brigade, writes:—

“It appears that the 2nd Battalion led their Brigade in the attack which was very successful, and they pushed on to a further line of trenches. The Brigade on the left did the same but subsequently fell back, leaving the 2nd Battalion in the air. The Battalion however held on, until the Germans brought machine guns to bear, and the men in the advanced trench were wiped out. All accounts agree that they did splendid work, but their loss was very heavy. . . . Your son had done very good work here, and I considered him perhaps the ablest of all the young officers who have been through this Battalion. Some of the papers and reports that he sent in would have done credit to any Officer.

“He was in command of a strong detachment at Warden Point for some time, and did excellent work there. He would have made a first-class Officer, keen, cool, collected, a pleasant companion, and that fine type of English gentleman which has made England what she is.”



GEORGE PICKERSGILL CABLE

CAPTAIN THE HON. R. C. F. CHICHESTER

Attached Serbian Army

Elmfield 02³-06⁷

Aged 26

July 31st, 1915

YOUNGEST son of Lord and Lady Templemore, of Dunbrody Park, Arthurstown, Co. Wexford.

University College, Oxford, B.A. 1910.

Captain Chichester, having been pronounced medically unfit for Active Service, went to Serbia as Secretary to Lady Paget's Hospital, 1st Unit, in October, 1914. For his services there he was given the honorary rank of Captain in the Serbian Army. He was just proposing to come home on leave, to try to induce the doctors to pass him for Active Service, when he caught a most virulent form of typhoid fever and died in nine days, on July 31st, 1915.

Out of very many letters and telegrams received the following are extracts :—

Telegram from Petar Mirkovie, member of the Municipality of Novi Bazar, to Lady Paget :

“In the name of the citizens of Novi Bazar, I beg you to accept my deepest sympathy, learning the news of the sudden death of our young and noble Richard Chichester, who came to Serbia under pressure of his love for right, and far away from his own country left his life on this field of duty.”

Telegram from the Mayor of Prizen to Lady Paget :

“With great sorrow we learnt of the death of Mr. Richard Chichester, whose name is remembered with gratitude by hundreds of poor families.”

M. Pashitch, Prime Minister of Serbia, wrote to Sir Ralph Paget :

“Nous garderons en Serbie un souvenir d'autant plus précieux des services rendus par le défunt, qu'il est mort, comme un soldat au champs d'honneur, victime du devoir qu'il s'était si noblement imposé.”

Lady Paget wrote :

“His devoted work of the previous winter, and his unfailing energy and courtesy, had endeared him to a far wider circle even than that with which he came into personal contact. For myself, I cannot express the value of his efficient and sympathetic help, nor what his loss meant to us. There was no member of the unit whose absence could have left a greater gap, or whose presence during the indescribable difficulties of the following winter would have been a more effective aid to us all.”



THE HON. RICHARD CECIL FREDERICK CHICHESTER

CAPTAIN J. H. CHRISTIE

Royal Irish Regiment

Druries 93²-96³

Aged 35

May 24th, 1915

ONLY son of the late Hugh Christie (O.H.), J.P., and of Mrs. Christie, of 101 Northgate, Regent's Park.

Married, in 1907, Phyllis Becher, eldest daughter of Colonel Becher, 60th Gurkhas, and leaves one son.

Captain Christie originally joined the Militia Battalion of the Somerset Light Infantry and with them went out to the South African War. He then received a Commission in the Lancashire Fusiliers and was present at the Battle of Laing's Nek. He received the Queen's Medal and four clasps, and the King's Medal and two clasps. Was mentioned in Despatches and recommended for the V.C. by his Colonel, who was killed before the recommendation could be sent in.

He was promoted Captain in 1907, and transferred to the South Lancashire Regiment in 1908, retiring in 1909. He then went out to Vancouver, but returned in 1914, to take a Commission in the Royal Irish Regiment, and went out to France in February, 1915. He was present at Hill 60 and through the 2nd Battle of Ypres, being killed on May 24th, 1915, when all the Regiment except one Officer and 40 men were either killed or wounded. It is said of him that he "was always cheerful and helped everyone over a very trying time," and "was greatly missed."



JAMES HUGH CHRISTIE

LIEUTENANT P. CLUTTERBUCK

East Yorkshire Regiment

Elmfield 06³-10²

Aged 22

October 20th, 1914

ELDEST son of Peter Clutterbuck, J.P., Lord of the Manor of Sarratt, of Goldingtons, Sarratt, Herts, and of his wife Fanny Clutterbuck.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Lieutenant Clutterbuck was gazetted to the East Yorkshire Regiment in 1911, and went to the Front on September 6th, 1914. On October 20th, 1914, his Company was sent to support the Leinsters, between Lille and Armentières, and he was seen wounded, but never found afterwards. He was reported 'missing,' but as nothing has since been heard of him, his death has been presumed.

A brother-officer writes:—

“For some time previously he and I had been the only Officers of the Company, and on two previous occasions I had commended him to the Commanding Officer for his behaviour in action. He was immensely liked, for he had no fear whatever.”



PETER CLUTTERBUCK

MAJOR J. H. D. COSTEKER, D.S.O.

Royal Warwickshire Regiment

Church Hill 93'-96'

Aged 36

April 25th, 1915

ONLY son of William and Clara Costeker, of 46 Evelyn Gardens, S.W. R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Married Margaret P. G. Morris, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Morris.

Major Costeker received his Commission in the Royal Warwickshire Regiment in 1898. He served with distinction in the South African War, being twice mentioned in the Despatches of January 18th, 1902, and awarded the D.S.O. on January 28th of the same year, receiving also the Queen's Medal with five clasps. From 1904 to 1907 he served as Adjutant of his Regiment, and as Garrison Adjutant, Colchester, in 1907. In May, 1914, he was appointed Staff Captain, G.H.Q., Irish Command.

He went to the Front, acting as Brigade-Major, 9th Infantry Brigade, in September, 1914. He was wounded in the first Battle of Ypres, on November 15th, 1914, and again mentioned in Despatches on February 17th, 1915, being appointed Brigade-Major two days later.

He then sailed for the Dardanelles, as Brigade-Major, 88th Brigade, 29th Division, and was killed in the landing at Gallipoli, on V Beach, April 25th, 1915, his Brigadier being killed at the same time.



JOHN HENRY DIVES COSTEKER

CAPTAIN D. H. DAVIDSON

Seaforth Highlanders

Elmfield 90³-94³

Aged 38

May 9th, 1915

ELDER son of Duncan Davidson, D.L., J.P., of Inchmarlo, Banchory, N.B., and of Flora Frances Davidson, eldest daughter of Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., of Foremark.

At the outbreak of the South African War, Captain Davidson, after having served with the 3rd Gordon Militia, obtained a Commission, through the late King, in the Seaforth Highlanders, although he was over age at the time. He served with his Regiment in Egypt and India, and was then posted to the Adjutancy of the 4th Seaforth Territorial Battalion, which he only gave up in 1913. He was stationed at Agra when orders came for the Indian Force to proceed to France, where he arrived in October, 1914. He was severely wounded on December 17th, and invalided home. He returned to his own Battalion on March 28th, 1915, and fell at the Battle of Neuve Chapelle, on May 9th, at the head of his Company, in the attack on the German trenches.

Colonel Ritchie writes :—

“The story is brief: In the attack on May 9th his Company was in front with Baillie-Hamilton’s. The moment he crossed the parapet they came under heavy machine-gun fire. He was hit—got up again, hit again—and again up and on towards the German trenches, at the head of what remained of his Company. Then he was hit again and fell near the German trenches. None of them got there, few came back.”

Colonel Vandeleur wrote :—

“Gallant Hamlyn, gallant in everything he did. It was he who led in everything, no matter what. . . . The 1st Battalion have lost their bravest and most gallant Officer, and his brother-officers their dearest pal.”

The Rev. J. McNeil, Chaplain to the Seaforths, writes :—

“He has borne a very noble part in this great fight. I remember the first time he was wounded, when he came into the ambulance from Le Touret, from the trenches at Festubert. There was one of our men beside him, who he thought needed more care than he did, and when his own turn came, he would not let himself be touched till the others had been dressed—it was the spirit in which he acted.”



DUNCAN HAMLYN DAVIDSON

CAPTAIN R. E. ENGLISH

North Somerset Yeomanry

West Acre 97³-01³

Aged 31

May 13th, 1915

SECOND SON of Robert and Mrs. English, of 58 Great Cumberland Place.

Magdalen College, Oxford. Member of Lloyd's.

Captain English joined the North Somerset Yeomanry on the outbreak of the War and went to France with the 7th Division, in November, 1914. He was killed at Hooge, in the 2nd Battle of Ypres, on May 13th, 1915.

The President of Magdalen writes :—

“Robert Ernest English was certainly one of the most pleasant and popular of the many pleasant and popular men Harrow has sent to this College in the last dozen years. Without any special or specialized ability, either in athletics or in the Schools, he soon became a leading man in the College, known and liked by all, and exercising an undemonstrative but valuable influence. His healthy, sensible, pleasant, and very kindly disposition, and unselfish love of his fellows, displayed itself no less when he went down. He devoted himself with much ardour and readiness to the College Mission, and in particular to the Boys' Clubs, for which no one ever did more. When the War came he gave up business to join the North Somerset Yeomanry. Every Magdalen man knew what a good officer he would make, but, alas ! very little scope was given him, for the end came almost directly he had got abroad. Simple, unselfish, good-hearted, no one was ever more ready to sacrifice himself. For none will there be more unqualified regret, among those who knew him here.”



ROBERT ERNEST ENGLISH

CAPTAIN S. FIELD

Royal Army Medical Corps

Small Houses 94²-95¹

Aged 34

April 10th, 1915

THIRD SON of George P. Field, Dean of St. Mary's Hospital Medical School, and of Pauline Field.

St. Mary's Hospital. M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Married Margaret Price, and leaves a son and a daughter.

Captain Field joined the R.A.M.C. in 1907, and was promoted Captain in 1910. Served in Somaliland, for which he received the medal. He was in Ireland when the War broke out and sailed from Dublin early in August, 1914, with the first troops that went out. He was taken prisoner while attending to the wounded in a church at Le Cateau, during the Retreat from Mons. He was sent to Torgau, thence to Halle, to Burg, and finally to Wittenberg in Saxony, when typhus was raging there. After three months he developed fever and died on April 10th, 1915. He is said to have volunteered to go to the typhus-stricken camp, and he and the two Medical Officers who were at first with him all died. A sum of money was raised to commemorate their memory, and a memorial was designed to be placed in the Library at Millbank (the R.A.M.C. Headquarters). The design was by Mr. Walker, who also drew up that for Florence Nightingale.

The War Office, however, or an official therein, wrote to say that it was too realistic and would "tend to keep up the resentment against the Germans after the War." The design was therefore refused, and the only memorial to these three brave men is a small room in the "Star and Garter" at Richmond.



STEPHEN FIELD

CAPTAIN R. S. FINDLAY

Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (T.F.)

Elmfield 003-052

Aged 28

May 22nd, 1915

SECOND son of R. E. Findlay (O.H.), of Boturich Castle, Ballock, Dumbartonshire, Director of Messrs. Findlay, Richardson & Co., and Major, Q.O.R. Glasgow Yeomanry, and of Jane Cecilia Louisa, daughter of James Scott, of Woodside Place, Glasgow.

Shooting VIII 1904-5. Balliol College, Oxford, B.A. 1910. Rowed in the Balliol boat 1906, 1909. University Shooting VIII 1906 and 1909. Shooting IV 1906-9, Captain 1909. University Swimming Team 1908. Scottish Shooting VIII 1910.

Captain Findlay was gazetted to the 9th Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders in 1910, becoming Lieutenant in 1913, and Captain in January, 1915. He went with his Battalion to France in February, 1915, and was at once sent into the trenches; what remained of the Battalion was relieved on May 17th, after 37 days of continuous and very severe fighting in the Second Battle of Ypres. On the 8th, 10th, and 11th of May alone they lost over 600 men, killed and wounded, and were thanked by Sir John French in person for their gallant behaviour. During this time Captain Findlay was hit three times by pieces of shell, but never enough to stop him for long.

He was killed in a railway accident near Gretna on May 22nd, 1915, when on his way home for four days' leave.

A brother-officer wrote :—

"He was the coolest man in difficulty and danger I ever met; he did splendid work for the Regiment all through, and was certainly one of our best and bravest Officers."

Another brother-officer wrote :—

"He was always cool and always seemed to know the right thing to do in an emergency, and did it—absolutely fearless, but never took an unnecessary risk, or allowed any of his men to do so."

Another brother-officer wrote :—

"He was always working so hard for the efficiency of the Company, and his work was continually benefiting us all. Apart from his regimental work, he was always so keen about anything he took up."



ROBERT SCOTT FINDLAY

LIEUTENANT J. E. FINDLAY-HAMILTON

Royal Scots Fusiliers

Elmfield 09³-13⁷

Aged 19

June 16th, 1915

ONLY son of George Douglas Findlay-Hamilton and Georgina Julia Findlay-Hamilton, of Westport and Carnell, Hurlford, Co. Ayr.

Received the Humane Society's Medal for Life-saving, November, 1913.

Lieutenant Findlay-Hamilton went to France in February, 1915, and was wounded at the Battle of Neuve Chapelle. He was killed while gallantly leading his men over the parapet near Givenchy, on June 16th, 1915.

A brother-officer wrote :—

“There is no doubt that he was invaluable in re-establishing the morale of the men, which was rather shaken by excessive German shell-fire, and nobody could have exhibited a finer sense of courage or coolness than he did, in leading his men over the parapet in the face of almost certain death.”



JOHN ERIC FINDLAY-HAMILTON

TROOPER A. G. E. FISHER

King Edward's Horse

The Grove 01²-05¹

Aged 27

May 25th, 1915

SECOND surviving son of George Fisher, of Hurst, Sutton, Surrey, formerly partner in the firm of Messrs. Robinson and Fisher, of Willis' Rooms, St. James', and of Katie, daughter of Samuel Heath.

Manager of an estancia near Bahia, San Blas, Argentina.

Trooper Fisher, being in England on a holiday at the time, joined the Legion of Frontiersmen on the first day of the War, afterwards exchanging to the 2nd King Edward's Horse. He went to France in April, 1915, and saw much fighting near Cuinchy and in the Battle of Festubert. He was killed on May 25th, 1915, advancing with hand-grenades, for the second time, on the German trenches.

A friend, who was with him at the time, writes :—

"I was running with him down the side of a trench, under heavy fire, when a chance shot must have skimmed a low part of the trench. He was struck in the head, and death was immediate ; he could never have known anything."

Lieutenant F. J. Lawrence, of the 2nd King Edward's Horse, writes :—

"The Squadron miss him very much, he was so popular with every one."

Another friend in King Edward's Horse writes to his sister :—

"Our troop was ordered to proceed over some open ground and occupy some trenches on the right flank. We got about 500 or 600 yards when the enemy spotted us and rained shrapnel on us. We were recalled, as it was madness to advance in the open under such heavy fire. We had reached our own trenches and had been there about ten minutes, when the order was passed along that bombers were wanted. Your brother, Walrond, and myself had previously volunteered, so we went along, until we came to the Post Office Rifles, who required us. I was at least a hundred yards in the rear, but when I came up to them your brother was dead."



ALWYN GEORGE ESMOND FISHER

CAPTAIN T. B. FORWOOD

Royal Lancaster Regiment

Rendalls 00'-03'

Aged 28

May 8th, 1915

ONLY son of Thomas Brittain and Edith Anne Forwood, of Frimhurst, Frimley Green, Farnborough.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Married, in 1912, Constance, elder daughter of Colonel W. F. Fairlie, of Middlewood, Jersey, and leaves a daughter.

Captain Forwood was gazetted to the King's Own Regiment in 1905, and was promoted Captain in 1915. He went to France in January, 1915. On May 8th, 1915, at Frezenberg, near Ypres, he was in command of his Company, who were sent up to support the 3rd Monmouths, and was leading his men into position under a very heavy rifle fire, when he was shot through the head and killed instantaneously.

The following extracts are from letters received :—

"He was too brave—absolutely regardless of danger. The men would have followed him anywhere, he was always cheering them up and doing everything he could for them."

"I have taken over T. B. F.'s old Company and assure you that I have a very hard task, if I am in any way to fill his position and keep up the standard of its last Company Commander. On all hands I am told by the N.C.O.'s and men of what was done when he commanded the Company, and can only say they make me feel very small. They were absolutely devoted to him and would have done anything for him."

"He was always a hero and died a hero's death, encouraging his men to the end."

"I know what he was as a soldier, and there are not many like him."

His Colonel wrote :—

"The Regiment has lost one of its best Officers, and one who was not only an officer but a gentleman, in the best sense of the word ; while I personally have lost a friend for whom I had the greatest liking and respect. Everyone in the Regiment is sharing his family's sorrow, for he was one of the best."



THOMAS BRITTAIN FORWOOD

CAPTAIN A. A. FOWLER

Cameron Highlanders

Elmfield 01'-05³

Aged 27

April 28th, 1915

YOUNGER son of the late Sir John Arthur Fowler, Bart., of Braemore, Ross-shire, and of Alice Janet Clive, daughter of the late Sir Edward Clive Bayley, K.C.S.I., and grandson of Sir John Fowler, engineer of the Forth Bridge. His only brother, Capt. Sir J. E. Fowler, Bart. (O.H.), Seaforth Highlanders, was killed in action on June 22nd, 1915.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Married, in 1912, Alice Mary, youngest daughter of Sir Charles Bayley, G.C.I.E., Lieut.-Governor of Bihar and Orissa, and an old member of Rendalls, and leaves one daughter.

Captain Alan Fowler received his Commission in 1907, joining his Battalion in South Africa and accompanying it to China and India. He returned to England in November, 1914, and three weeks afterwards left with his Regiment for France. At this time he acted as Transport Officer, and was afterwards on the Staff of his Brigadier. By the middle of April the greater portion of his brother-officers had been killed, wounded, or invalided home, and when his Battalion was sent to the relief of other troops on Hill 60, he was in command of B Company, which occupied the front trench on the lip of a huge crater 40 feet deep, formed by the explosion of a mine.

It was on April 28th, 1915, the last day that the Battalion was occupying these trenches, that he, his subaltern, and several men were killed by the same shell, a *minenwerfer* bomb. So long as the Camerons held it, the Germans gained no footing on Hill 60.

Brigadier-General Macfarlane, commanding 81st Brigade, writes :—

“He was a first-rate soldier and a dear good fellow, for whom I had a great regard, and I always wished I had him on my Staff. He will be dreadfully missed, both in his Regiment and in the Brigade.”

Colonel John Campbell, commanding 2nd Camerons, writes :—

“He died a soldier's death about 12 noon to-day, when holding a trench in a difficult and important position. I cannot speak too highly of the truly gallant way in which he has behaved and kept his men together and cheerful.”

A brother-officer writes :—

“During the week on Hill 60 he was never once depressed, though all of them, and his Company in particular, were having a very rough time.”



ALAN ARTHUR FOWLER

CAPTAIN SIR J. E. FOWLER, BART.

Seaforth Highlanders

Elmfield, 98³-02³

Aged 30

June 22nd, 1915

ELDER brother of Captain Alan Fowler, whose record appears on the preceding page, and eldest son of Sir John Arthur Fowler, Bart., of Braemore, Ross-shire, N.B., whom he succeeded as third baronet in 1899, and of Alice Janet Clive, daughter of the late Sir Edward Clive Bayley, K.C.S.I.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1903.

Captain Sir John Fowler joined the 2nd Seaforths in 1904 ; for three years he acted as Assistant Adjutant, and as Officer in charge of the Brigade Machine Guns. He held a Commission in the Royal Company of Archers and acted as Aide-de-Camp to the Lord High Commissioner of the Church of Scotland at Holyrood in 1907 and 1908. At the outbreak of the War he was seconded as Adjutant of the 4th Battalion, the first Highland Territorial Battalion selected for service in France. After two months' training at Bedford they went to the Front in November, 1914, taking part in an engagement at Festubert in the following month, and in the Battles of Neuve Chapelle and Aubers Ridge. Captain Fowler was killed in the trenches on June 22nd, 1915, near Richebourg l'Avoué. He was mentioned in Sir John French's Despatch of November, 1915, "for gallant and distinguished conduct in the field." The official expression of "the King's high appreciation of these services" was received by his family on March 28th, 1916.

Brigadier-General Ross, C.B., wrote :—

"He was one of the very best young Officers I have ever met, and an example to all others. It was mainly due to his wonderful influence that the Battalion did so well."

The Hon. E. O. Campbell, Adjutant of the 2nd Seaforths, wrote :—

"We shall always miss Jack : one of the best and kindest of men, and always thoroughly beloved by every one in the Regiment."

Lieut.-Colonel Cuthbert, C.M.G., D.S.O., Commanding 4th Seaforths, wrote :—

"He lived a soldier's life, ever ready to do his duty, and one always knew how well that duty would be done. He gave us all confidence—confidence that otherwise we could never have had. He has died a soldier's death, and we are the poorer by a very gallant gentleman and capable Officer."

Sergeant-Major, later Lieutenant, Glass, wrote :—

"He was the guide, adviser, and helpmate of every individual in the Battalion, and we miss him terribly. Defeat could not have shaken us more."



SIR JOHN EDWARD FOWLER, BART.

CAPTAIN G. B. T. FRIEND

East Kent Regiment

Elmfield 93³-96²

Aged 35

July 26th, 1915

ELDEST SON of James Taddy Friend, D.L., J.P., of Northdown, Isle of Thanet, and Mary Stewart, daughter of George Irvine, of Bruckley, Mossley Hill.

Married in 1906 Susie F. S. Copley, second daughter of the late Richard Copley, of Thrapston, Northants, and had two sons, one of whom survives him.

Captain Friend first received a Commission in a Militia Battalion of the Rifle Brigade and was then gazetted to the Buffs in 1900. He retired from the Army in 1906, to take up farming, but rejoined his old Regiment on the outbreak of the War. He went to the Front in June, 1915, and was killed on July 26th, 1915, in Flanders, whilst putting up barbed-wire entanglements.



GEORGE BARTON TADDY FRIEND

2ND LIEUTENANT H. B. GETHING

Royal Gloucestershire Hussars

Rendalls 97³-02²

Aged 31

August 21st, 1915

SECOND son of James Edwards Gething, of Siddington Hall, Cirencester, and of Maria Llewellyn, daughter of James Bagnall, of Castle Hill House, Carmarthen.

Football XI, 1900-1901 (Capt. 1901). Dolphin. Won Beale Cup for Diving. Won the Middle-weight Boxing at the Public School Competition at Aldershot, and in 1903 and 1904 won the Middle-weight Boxing for Cambridge against Oxford. Trinity College, Cambridge. Was a well-known steeplechase rider and polo player.

2nd Lieutenant Gething was sent out with his Regiment first to Alexandria, and from there to the Dardanelles in August, 1915, being killed a few days after landing. His Regiment was ordered to advance across a stretch of about a mile and a half of open country. They had only just started when heavy shell fire was opened on them, and they began to suffer many casualties. He had survived almost the whole way across and had just faced forward again, after turning to say a few encouraging words to his men, when he was hit by shrapnel and killed instantaneously. He was buried close to the spot where he fell.

His Colonel wrote :—

“He was one of the best of our Officers, and the whole Regiment will feel his loss keenly.”

His Major writes :—

“We feel his loss terribly ; his Troop was devoted to ‘Lusty,’ as we always called him, and would have followed him anywhere. In fact, his Troop Sergeant remarked to me the other day, ‘We all worship Mr. Gething.’”



HUGH BAGNALL GETHING

CAPTAIN F. W. GRANTHAM

Royal Munster Fusiliers

Moretons 84²-88²

Aged 44

May 9th, 1915

SECOND son of Sir William Grantham, Judge of the High Court, M.P. for East Surrey, 1874-85, and for Croydon in 1885-6, and of Lady Grantham.

Trinity College, Cambridge, B.A. 1892 : Called to the Bar, 1894 : Clerk of Assize on the Oxford Circuit. He was a great traveller in the Far East and an authority on Eastern philosophy. He made many journeys on foot in the interior of China and walked with Buddhist monks from Siam to Burmah.

Married Alexandra, daughter of Herr von Herden, Schloss Salenstein, Thurgau, and had two sons, the elder of whom was killed at Gallipoli, in June, 1915.

Captain Grantham served in the South African War, as a Volunteer, receiving the King's Medal. On the outbreak of the War he rejoined the Royal Munster Fusiliers, with whom he had served in South Africa, and left for the Front in September, 1914. He served continuously with his Regiment through the winter of 1914-15, and was killed at Richebourg l'Avoué, while leading his men in a charge, on May 9th, 1915. He was reported 'wounded and missing' till August 14th, when his body was found.

A brother-officer writes :—

"I can assure you all the men in his Company loved him, and his is a great loss to the Regiment. It was largely owing to his gallant leading that we were the only Regiment in the Brigade to reach the German first-line trenches. He was the bravest man in the Regiment and feared nothing."



FREDERICK WILLIAM GRANTHAM

LANCE-SERGEANT A. R. GREENWOOD

Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry, N.Z.

Church Hill 05³-08³

Aged 23

August 6th, 1915

YOUNGEST son of G. D. Greenwood, of Teviotdale, Amberley, N.Z., and of Mrs. Greenwood.

In business in New Zealand.

Lance-Sergeant Greenwood, prior to the War, was attached to the Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry and joined the Main Expeditionary Force as a Corporal. He went with his Regiment to Egypt, where he was promoted Sergeant, and thence to the Dardanelles. He was killed in Gallipoli on August 6th, 1915.

His Major wrote :—

“He was one of a gallant little band who fell in capturing a Turkish trench and machine gun on Walden’s Knob, upon the night of August 6th. Five fell dead together, and others were wounded, of our very best men. Our Regiment had no grander feat of arms to be proud of, and, since it had to be, truly they were fortunate in dying so, leaving an imperishable memory, when so many fall stricken by chance bullets, accidents, and disease.”



ARTHUR ROBERT GREENWOOD

MAJOR R. S. HAMILTON-GRACE

13th Hussars

Newlands 94³-98²

Aged 34

August 4th, 1915

ONLY son of the late Colonel Sheffield Hamilton-Grace, J.P., late Durham Light Infantry, of Knole, Frant, and of Anne Hamilton-Grace, daughter of Joseph Smyth Windham, of Wawne, Hull.

Shooting VIII 1897. R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Married Gladys, daughter of Michael Paul Grace, of 40 Belgrave Square, and leaves a son and a daughter. Author of several important articles on military matters, as well as a work entitled "Finance and War."

Major Hamilton-Grace was originally gazetted to the Durham Light Infantry, joining his Regiment in India. He served in the South African War and received the Queen's Medal with two clasps, and the King's Medal with two clasps. He then entered the Staff College at Camberley, as Captain, and from there transferred to the 13th Hussars, at that time stationed in India, where he became a well-known steeplechase rider and polo player. On his return to England he was appointed Instructor of Tactics at the Cavalry School at Netheravon, during which time he obtained his pilot's certificate for aviation.

On the outbreak of the War he was acting as Brigade-Major to General de Lisle, 2nd Cavalry Brigade, which post he held until his promotion to the Staff of the Cavalry Corps under General Allenby, serving later in the same capacity under General Byng. He was all through the Retreat from Mons, and, on the recommendation of the General Commanding the French Forces, was awarded the Croix de Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur for gallantry in the field: he was also twice mentioned in Sir John French's Despatches. He was killed in a motor accident, while on active service, at Hazebrouck, on August 4th, 1915.



RAYMOND SHEFFIELD HAMILTON-GRACE.

CAPTAIN J. B. HARTLEY

King's Own Scottish Borderers

The Grove 99²-02³

Aged 29

June 4th, 1915

ELDER son of the late Francis Chisholme Hartley, of Shandon, Dum-bartonshire, Government Inspector of Schools, and of Harriet Kate Hartley, *née* Hill.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Captain Hartley received a Commission in the 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers in 1905, and joined his Regiment in India, where he remained for three or four years. Returning to England with his Regiment, he got his Company in the 1st Battalion in 1914, and again went out to India, where he remained until the war broke out. His Regiment formed part of the renowned 29th Division, which went to Gallipoli for the first landing.

He was killed in Gallipoli on June 4th, 1915, on the parapet of the Turkish trench which he and his Company went out to take. Almost as soon as he was over his own parapet he was knocked down and badly wounded in the face, but he got up again and gallantly led his Company through a terrible cross-fire from Turkish machine guns, which practically wiped out the whole Company. Captain Hartley and two men alone reached their objective, when he was instantaneously killed by machine-gun fire. The two men were badly wounded at the same time, though they survived to tell the tale.

The following are extracts from the letters of brother-officers :—

"He had no sense of fear."

"The whole Regiment mourns the loss of a very gallant Officer."

One of his men writes :—

"He was well liked by his men. We used to nickname him 'John'—behind his back, of course—but the bestowal of such a name always means an Officer is first favourite with his men."



JOHN BERNARD HARTLEY

CAPTAIN R. HEAD

Border Regiment

Church Hill 99¹-04²

Aged 29

April 30th, 1915

ONLY son of the late J. O. Head, J.P., and of Mrs. Head, of Hackwood, Hexham.

Shooting VIII 1900, 1901, but in the latter year was unable to shoot at Bisley.

Married.

Captain Head was gazetted to the Border Regiment in 1906, serving with them in India and Burmah. He was serving with the 1st Battalion, when he was killed in action on April 30th, 1915.



REGINALD HEAD

PRIVATE G. T. HENERY

Liverpool Regiment

Church Hill 02'-03'

Aged 27

June 16th, 1915

SECOND surviving son of Perceval Jeffery Thornton Henery (O.H.), of Spring Bank, Olive Grove, Wavertree, Liverpool, and of Maria Henery, *née* Bullock.

Was in business with Messrs. Duncan, Ewing & Co., Timber Brokers, Liverpool.

Private Henery joined the 10th (Scottish Battalion) of the King's Liverpool Regiment soon after the outbreak of the War. He sailed for France on November 1st, 1914, and served continuously in the trenches from November 29th, 1914, to June 16th, 1915.

He was reported 'missing' after the attack at Hooze on June 16th, 1915. Nothing further having been heard of him, his death has now been presumed.



GRAHAM THORNTON HENERY

CAPTAIN H. P. L. HEYWORTH

North Staffordshire Regiment

The Headmaster's 92'-96"

Aged 37

August 6th, 1915

ONLY surviving son of the late Colonel Lawrence Heyworth, Commanding 3rd Welsh Regiment, and of Mrs. Heyworth, of Colne Priory, Earls Colne, Essex.

Trinity College, Cambridge.

Married, in 1915, Cecily M. Garfit, daughter of Major B. C. Garfit, of Dalby Hall, Spilsby, Lincolnshire.

Captain Heyworth received a Commission, in 1899, in the Militia Battalion of the South Wales Borderers. In April, 1900, he was gazetted to the 2nd Battalion North Staffordshire Regiment, and with them served in the South African War 1900-2, receiving the Queen's Medal and three clasps, and the King's Medal and two clasps. He was afterwards with his Regiment for seven years in India and was Master of the Peshawar Vale Hounds in 1911-12. In 1913 he returned to England on sick leave and in 1914 was acting as Adjutant to the 7th Service Battalion. He left for the Dardanelles with his Regiment in June, 1915, and was killed in action near Sari Bair on August 6th, 1915. He is buried in the Australian and New Zealand Cemetery, Gallipoli.

His Commanding Officer writes :—

“He has proved a very good Adjutant to me.”

The Second in Command writes :—

“He is a terrible loss to us, as he was quite the most popular man in the Regiment.”



HENRY POTTER LAWRENCE HEYWORTH

SERGEANT G. P. G. HOARE

Essex Yeomanry

The Headmaster's 89³-94¹

Aged 39

September 6th, 1915

ELDEST son of Charles R. G. Hoare (O.H.), Banker, and Rachel G. Hoare, *née* Bevan, of Lexden House, Colchester.

Trinity College, Cambridge.

Sergeant Hoare fought in the South African War in 1900 and 1901, serving in the Duke of Cambridge's Yeomanry.

He went to the Front with the Essex Yeomanry in December, 1914. He was severely wounded on May 13th, 1915, and was invalided home. He died in hospital in England, after a second operation, on September 6th, 1915.



GEORGE PHILIP GURNEY HOARE

CAPTAIN C. T. T. HOLLAND

Royal Field Artillery

The Headmaster's 96²-99²

Aged 32

May 9th, 1915

ONLY SON of the late Colonel Trevenen Holland, C.B., and of Mrs. Trevenen Holland, of Mount Ephraim House, Tunbridge Wells.

R.M.A., Woolwich.

Married in 1911, and leaves one son.

Captain Holland was gazetted to the Royal Field Artillery in 1901; he resigned his Commission in 1908, and went out to British East Africa, but rejoined the Army on the outbreak of the War. He went to the Front in November, 1914, with the 33rd Brigade, 8th Division, R.F.A.

The following extracts from letters received relate the manner of his death on May 9th, 1915.

Colonel Graham wrote on May 10th, 1915:—

“He was bored at the somewhat inactive time he had during the Neuve Chapelle fight and begged to be allowed to see more of this one, so he volunteered to go as what is called ‘liaison’ Officer with the Brigadier of the Infantry with whom we are working. . . . It was a task that, had he been successful, would have brought him some distinction and reward . . . but he had hardly started with the General at the very beginning of the fight, when he was shot through the head and instantly killed. His orderly came back to report it, but no one could get out to where he lay until the evening, when a party of men, at great risk to themselves, went out to find him. We got him in last night . . . he looks quite peaceful, and the Doctor says he must have been killed instantly.”

Captain Stirling writes:—

“I miss him and his cheery ways greatly. He lunched with me the day before the fight and was full of delight in getting away from the office into the field of action.”

Captain Spencer writes:—

“He was ‘liaison’ officer with the 25th Infantry Brigade, on the 9th, and had volunteered for the duty. He had to maintain communications between that Brigade and ourselves. The Brigade came under very hot fire, and, as far as can be made out, he was repairing his telephone wire in the open. The telephonist with him could only give the vaguest description, as his nerves were very much rattled at the time.”



CHARLES TREVENEN TOWNSEND HOLLAND

2ND LIEUTENANT G. W. V. HOPLEY

Grenadier Guards

Moretons 05²-10²

Aged 23

May 12th, 1915

SECOND son of the Hon. W. M. Hopley, until recently a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of South Africa, and now a Senior Judge in Southern Rhodesia, and of Mrs. Hopley.

Entrance Scholar : Monitor 1909 : Head of his House : Cricket XI 1909-10 : History Scholarship at Trinity College, Cambridge, 1st Class History Tripos, Parts I and II : University Cricket XI : Winner of Heavy Weight Inter-University Boxing Competition.

At the beginning of the War 2nd Lieutenant Hopley joined the Grenadier Guards with his friend Arthur Lang. In France they were separated, Lang going to the Scots Guards, where he and Gerald Crutchley had a trench mined under them and were rushed by a German attack. Crutchley was wounded and taken prisoner ; of Lang nothing more has been heard. On February 3rd, 1915, Geoffrey Hopley, while outside his trench, was hit by a bullet in the arm and thigh. He rolled down into a shell-crater behind the trench and lay there some time. At length with the greatest difficulty he crawled up from it and made his way back into his trench, where the Captain and he were the only officers left. Desperately wounded as he was, his first thought was not of himself: "I am afraid, Sir," he said, "I shall not be much use to you ; I am sorry, especially as we are so short-handed."

Then followed fourteen weeks in Hospital, with alternate hopes and fears, alternate rallies and set-backs, great pain and patience in a losing game fought out to the end. His last wish, expressed to a brother Head of his House who saw him daily in his illness, was that he should be buried at Harrow. He died in the Military Hospital, Boulogne, on May 12th, 1915, and in accordance with his wishes his body was brought back to England and buried by the Hill he loved so well.



GEOFFREY WILLIAM VANDERBYL HOPLEY

2ND LIEUTENANT SIR W. G. HOSTE, BART.

Rifle Brigade

The Headmaster's 11³-13³

Aged 19

May 9th, 1915

ONLY son of the late Sir William H. C. Hoste, Bart., and of Alice, daughter of James Healy, of Sydney, New South Wales. Before going to Harrow he was a Naval Cadet at Osborne, and afterwards at Dartmouth : the latter place he was obliged to leave owing to ill-health.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

2nd Lieutenant Hoste left for France in March, 1915. He was last seen alive during an attack on the German lines at Rouges Bancs, near Fromelles, on May 9th, 1915. He was reported 'missing' for some time, but the War Office has since officially reported his death.

Colonel F. G. Talbot, of the Rifle Brigade, writes:—

"I liked him very much. He was a right good-hearted lad, and the best sort of English Officer, keen as mustard. . . They all say he led his men so gallantly and was always most cheery in the trenches, and that he behaved so splendidly at the last."



SIR WILLIAM GRAHAM HOSTE, BART.

CAPTAIN J. E. V. ISAAC, D.S.O.

Rifle Brigade

The Knoll 93¹-98²

Aged 35

May 9th, 1915

THIRD son of the late John Swinton Isaac (O.H.), D.L., Banker, of Broughton Park, Worcester, and of Amy Alice, daughter of Major-General R. H. Crofton, R.A. He was a member of the I. Zingari, Free Foresters, and M.C.C., and played cricket for his Regiment and occasionally for his County: he rode in various races, winning the Cairo Grand National in 1911, on a horse trained, and partly owned, by himself.

Captain Isaac was gazetted to the Northumberland Fusiliers in 1900, and in June of that year joined his Regiment on active service in South Africa. He was dangerously wounded at Nooitgedacht and received the King's Medal and three clasps. On the disbanding of the 3rd Northumberland Fusiliers he was gazetted to the Rifle Brigade in 1908, and served with them in Malta and Egypt. He left the Regiment in 1911, and went to Vancouver, engaging in real estate. He hunted and shot on the Yukon and played much polo in California. On the rumour of war Captain Isaac at once started for England and rejoined his Regiment. In October, 1914, he went to the Front as A.D.C. and Camp Commandant to Major-General Sir T. Capper, commanding 7th Division. He was wounded at the 1st Battle of Ypres and received the D.S.O. for "conspicuous gallantry" on that occasion, besides being twice mentioned in Despatches. He returned to the Front in December, 1914, but in the spring, after his General was wounded, he resigned his appointment on the Staff and joined the 2nd Battalion of his Regiment, reaching them three days before the action on the Aubers-Fromelles Ridge, in which he fell, on May 9th, 1915. He was notified as 'missing, believed killed,' but from information received it is believed that he was wounded while leading his men, but went on and finally reached the objective, being killed just afterwards.

General Sir T. Capper, K.C.M.G., commanding 7th Division, writes:—

"Johnnie is more to me than an A.D.C., a very dear friend and companion . . . he is a gallant soldier too. Sir H. Rawlinson writes to me that he was last seen leading his men to the second assault with great dash—a noble and gallant spirit."

The late Brigadier-General Walter Long wrote:—

"His courage was phenomenal, as his return to his Regiment affords ample proof. Everyone who came in contact with him felt the better for his presence—he really had a most wonderful personality. . . . His bravery was really remarkable, and it was a bye-word in his Division; he performed some wonderful deeds out here."



JOHN EDMUND VALENTINE ISAAC

CAPTAIN B. T. JAMES, M.C.

Royal Engineers (attached Royal Flying Corps)

Newlands 03²-07*

Aged 26

July 13th, 1915

ELDEST son of Dr. C. A. James and of Annie Lucy James, and grandson of the Rev. W. Philipson, Rector of Bradley, Lincolnshire.

Entrance Scholar. Head of his House. Monitor, 1906.

R.M.C., Woolwich, 1907.

Captain James, after being a short time at Gosport, worked for nearly two years at Dover under General Ffowke; he was then attached to the Royal Flying Corps. In the early summer of 1914 he fitted his aeroplane for wireless signalling and was made Captain and Flight-Commander in November of that year. He flew over to France in the first week of the War and signalled first for the French Artillery, and then for the British. He was twice "mentioned in Despatches," and received the Military Cross in June, 1915, for work done at Hooge and Festubert.

Lieut.-Colonel Buske, commanding 2nd Wing R.F.C., wrote :—

"He was ranging a battery and was being heavily shelled. The machine was hit by a shell and was seen to dive to the ground from a great height. The Germans dropped a note saying that he was dead when he fell. . . . It is rarely given that one so young should be able to play such an important part in this tremendous struggle, but he did, and did it well. . . . His splendid combination of brain and nerve made him an invaluable Officer."

Major G. S. Shephard writes :—

"It is impossible to speak too highly of his work as an officer, and it is not too much to say that in his line, artillery observation, he was quite the most competent officer in the Flying Corps. . . . We are indebted to him not only for all his flying out here, but also for his work and the experiments he carried out before the War."

"He was so well known for all the work he had done, and it was quite appreciated here that he had been the pioneer in wireless ranging with artillery—that our first successes in this were owing to him. The Army Commander has written about him to Headquarters to that effect."



BARON TREVENEN JAMES

2ND LIEUTENANT L. A. JARVIS

Scots Guards

Moretons 05¹-10¹

Aged 23

May 16th, 1915

ONLY son of Major Lewis Kerrison Jarvis (O.H.), 3rd County of London Yeomanry, Banker, of 54 Lombard Street, E.C., and of Adeline Egidia Jarvis.

Was with Messrs. Reeves, Whitburn & Co., Bankers, of 37 Clement's Lane, E.C.

2nd Lieutenant Jarvis left for the Front on February 18th, 1915; he was shot through the heart while leading his men into action on the Rue du Bois, on May 16th, 1915.

Lieut.-Colonel A. B. E. Cator, D.S.O., commanding 2nd Battalion Scots Guards, writes to his parents:—

“I thought you would like to hear of the gallant way in which your son died. He was shot through the heart leading his Platoon, just after they had pierced the German line. I cannot tell you how much we all miss him, he was always so cheery and hard-working and was a splendid soldier. Everyone in the Battalion, both Officers and men, loved him. We buried him close to the road, just behind the old British line, not far from Festubert.”

His Brigadier wrote to a friend describing him as “such a nice boy, who promised to be such a good soldier.”



LOUIS ARCHIBALD JARVIS

CAPTAIN P. A. KENNEDY

Rifle Brigade

Elmfield 003-041

Aged 28

May 9th, 1915

THIRD son of Sir John Gordon Kennedy (O.H.), K.C.M.G., of H.M. Diplomatic Service, and of Lady Kennedy.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Captain Kennedy was gazetted to the Rifle Brigade in 1906, and joined the 4th Battalion. He served with his Regiment in Malta, Egypt, and India, and was at home on leave when the War broke out. He asked to be sent to a home Battalion, and in August, 1914, was posted to the 3rd Battalion. He went to France the following month and was wounded in the Battle of the Aisne and invalided home. In December, 1914, he was attached to the 8th (Service) Battalion and was offered two Staff appointments, which he refused. He returned to the Front in March, 1915, and then joined the 2nd Battalion of his Regiment. He was killed by a sniper, while leading his Company in a general attack on the Aubers Ridge, near Fromelles, on May 9th, 1915. His Company and another were leading, and he fell in the German lines; two Privates were left with him, but he would not let them stay and sent them back to their own lines.

A brother-officer writes :—

“Paul was in my Company in the 4th Battalion in Malta and Egypt. He was so much beloved by all of us. I shall never forget his charming personality.”

Another brother-officer writes :—

“His was the leading Company and was the first to take the German trenches. The whole Battalion did splendidly; so well, indeed, did they do, that they left behind the Regiment on either side of them and practically got cut off. Only 3 Officers and 250 men came back unwounded that night. Paul died leading an attack, which this Battalion and the whole Regiment will always remember.”



PAUL ADRIAN KENNEDY

CAPTAIN H. McL. LAMBERT

1st (Royal) Dragoons

Elmfield 93³-97²

Aged 35

May 13th, 1915

ELDEST son of the late E. T. Lambert, of Telham Court, Battle, Sussex, and of Mrs. Lambert.

Trinity College, Cambridge.

Captain Lambert joined the 1st (Royal) Dragoons in 1899, and served in the Boer War, where he received the Queen's and King's Medals and five clasps. When his Regiment subsequently went to India he became A.D.C. to Lord Ampthill, and afterwards to Lord Curzon, Lord Minto, and General Sir O'Moore Creagh. He left the army in 1912, and was in British East Africa, when War was declared, but returned to England, in August, 1914, to rejoin his Regiment. He was killed in France on May 13th, 1915.



HENRY MCLAREN LAMBERT

LIEUTENANT E. H. LEIGH

Rifle Brigade

Elmfield 02²-05²

Aged 26

May 9th, 1915

SECOND son of the Hon. Sir E. Chandos Leigh (O.H.), K.C.B., K.C., for many years Counsel to the Speaker, of 45 Upper Grosvenor Street, W., and of Lady Leigh, and grandson of Lord Leigh, of Stoneleigh, Warwickshire. Pembroke College, Cambridge.

Lieutenant Leigh received his Commission in 1911, when he joined the 2nd Battalion of the Rifle Brigade in India, being promoted Lieutenant in 1913. He went to the Front with his Regiment in November, 1914, and took part in the Battle of Neuve Chapelle, his Battalion gaining the distinction of being the first actually to enter and capture that village. He was killed on May 9th, 1915, while leading his men into action in the attack on the Aubers Ridge.

He was much beloved by his Riflemen, who said that there was not one of them who would not have followed him into action anywhere, he was so fearless.



EDWARD HENRY LEIGH

CAPTAIN F. K. LESLIE

Royal Fusiliers

The Headmaster's 99²-03²

Aged 29

April 25th, 1915

ONLY son of Henry King Leslie (O.H.), of Glenburne, Rockcorry, Co. Monaghan, and of Ruth Leslie.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1903.

Captain Leslie was gazetted to the Royal Fusiliers in 1905, joining his Regiment in India, and served with them at Secunderabad and Fort William, Calcutta, returning to England in January, 1915. In March, 1915, he left with his Regiment for Alexandria, and was sent straight on to Mudros Harbour, *en route* for the Dardanelles. On April 25th, 1915, he was killed at the landing on X Beach, Gallipoli.

A brother-officer wrote :—

“ . . . Captain Frank Leslie, who commanded my Company, passed peacefully away on April 25th. His gallantry and coolness under very heavy fire saved many lives. He ordered me to leave him and take some men back to another position, to cover his retirement, and soon after I left him he was shot in the head. He suffered no pain. He was buried where he so gallantly fell.”



FRANK KING LESLIE

LIEUT.-COLONEL H. G. LEVINGE

Norfolk Regiment

The Knoll 78³-82³

Aged 50

August 10th, 1915

ELDEST son of Harry Corbyn Levinge, J.P., D.L., late of Knockdrin Castle, Mullingar, Westmeath.

Trinity College, Cambridge.

Married, in 1905, Maureen Fagan, only daughter of the late Captain Fagan, 12th Lancers.

Lieut.-Colonel Levinge joined the Norfolk Regiment in 1885, and served with the 2nd Battalion and the Mounted Infantry in the South African War. He was twice mentioned in Despatches, promoted Brevet-Major, and awarded the Queen's and the King's Medals with five clasps. On the outbreak of the War he was serving with the 3rd Norfolk Regiment, S.R., and in November, 1914, was appointed Lieut.-Colonel to command the 10th Battalion, from which he was transferred to the command of the 6th Loyal North Lancashire Regiment. In June, 1915, he proceeded with his Regiment to Gallipoli. He took part in the fighting of August and was reported 'missing' on August 10th, when the Battalion was overwhelmed by the Turks; he was later officially presumed to have been killed in action on that day. He was mentioned in Sir Ian Hamilton's Despatches dealing with the fighting at Chunuk Bair.

The General commanding the Division writes :—

"His Regiment was trained by him to the highest pitch, and it did not fail, when it was required."

The General commanding the New Zealand Division writes :—

"He had commanded his Battalion so well, and they fought most gallantly, till they were overwhelmed by an enormous mass of Turks. He was at the head of them when last seen, and everyone says he was a first-rate Commanding Officer, and that his Battalion had been made by him about the best of the 13th Division."

The Second in Command of the Loyal North Lancshires writes :—

"He was defending a trench which was attacked by vastly superior numbers. He remained to the last gallantly defending the post, thereby stemming an enemy attack, which, if it had been entirely successful, would have led to most serious consequences."



HENRY GEORGE LEVINGE

LIEUTENANT J. R. LINGARD

Manchester Regiment

West Acre 98²-03⁷

Aged 30

August 21st, 1915

ONLY child of Thomas Dewhurst Lingard, J.P. for the County of Westmorland, of Fellside, Windermere, and of Regina Caroline Lingard, *née* Walpole, of Hanslope, Buckinghamshire.

Trinity College, Cambridge, B.A. 1906, M.A. 1910, LL.B.

A member of the firm of Lingard and Hamp, Solicitors, Manchester.

Lieutenant Lingard was gazetted to the Manchester Regiment on the outbreak of the War and was afterwards attached to the Lancashire Fusiliers. He went to Alexandria in June, 1915, and after a few days proceeded to Gallipoli. He was reported 'wounded' in the advance from Suvla Bay on August 21st, 1915. A Special Court of Inquiry on his case was held in Gallipoli, when it was proved that he was carried off the field by Private Quinn (who was awarded the D.C.M.) to the regimental dressing station, whence he was forwarded on a stretcher *en route* for the beach and hospital ship. From that time all trace of him was lost, and the War Office has now presumed his death.



JOHN REGINALD LINGARD

2ND LIEUTENANT H. G. LIVINGSTONE

Royal Field Artillery

Moretons 94³-97³

Aged 34

May 3rd, 1915

YOUNGEST son of the late Henry Darley Livingstone, J.P., of Belclare, Westport, Co. Mayo, and of Mrs. Darley Livingstone.

After leaving Oxford he went out to farm in British Columbia and afterwards to the Argentine.

2nd Lieutenant Livingstone was in the Argentine when the War broke out and returned to England in December, 1914, in order to join the Army. He was given a Commission in the 64th Battery, R.F.A., Lahore Division, Indian Expeditionary Force in the following month, and after short training at Exeter left for France in April, 1915. He was instantaneously killed in action on May 3rd, 1915, in the Second Battle of Ypres.

His Major wrote to his mother:—

“I hope you will allow me to say how much not only we Officers, but also the men of the Battery, regret the loss of your boy, and how much he had made his mark in the few days he was with us. . . . We mourn the loss of a good comrade and gallant soldier, who would have continued to render most valuable service as an Artillery Officer, had he been permitted to do so.”



HAROLD GORDON LIVINGSTONE

LIEUTENANT G. B. LOCKHART

Loyal North Lancashire Regiment

Moretons, 07¹-12⁷

Aged 21

August 10th, 1915

SECOND son of Philip Lockhart, of 17 Rutland Court, and of Mrs. Lockhart.

Magdalen College, Oxford, 1912.

Lieutenant Lockhart was gazetted to the 6th Battalion Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, in September, 1914, and was promoted Lieutenant in February, 1915. He left England for Gallipoli in June, and was killed in action on August 10th, 1915. He was for some months reported 'missing,' and it was not till December that Sergeant Baldwin, who was himself wounded three times in the same fight and after sixteen days in the open regained the Anzac Beach, wrote to his father the following letter :—

"You will pardon me for this intrusion, but, since I have been home, I hear that there is still some doubt about the death of your son, Lieutenant Lockhart, who was commanding C Company, Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, on August 9th, 1915. On the evening of the same date we moved up to the trenches at Chunuk Bair, arriving there about midnight, and took over the trenches from the New Zealanders, which had to be improved upon by daylight. Lieutenant Lockhart was by my side the whole time ; he worked very hard, so as to have our position in apple-pie order by daybreak. About 3.30 a.m. this work was completed, when I received an order from Lieutenant Lockhart to pass the word for our much-needed rations to be sent along the line, but instead of getting rations we got the Turks on either flank, as well as the front. Lieutenant Lockhart was in the act of firing his second shot at the enemy to our left front, when he received a bullet through the head. He died instantly. I feel it very much indeed, having to enclose the sad news of such a brave young Officer. . . . He was always a hard-working soldier and a lover of sport with his Company off duty—loved by all."



GERALD BEVIS LOCKHART

2ND LIEUTENANT C. E. H. LOXTON

North Staffordshire Regiment (T.F.)

Druries, 06¹-12⁷

Aged 22

May 23rd, 1915

ELDER SON of C. A. Loxton, LL.B., of Shoal Hill House, Cannock, and of Emily Clara, youngest daughter of Sir Edward Thomas Holden, of Glenelg, Great Barr, Staffordshire.

Monitor, 1911.

University College, Oxford, 1912. Rowed in his College boat.

2nd Lieutenant Loxton was still at Oxford when the War broke out, but immediately volunteered for Active Service and was gazetted 2nd Lieutenant in the North Staffordshire Regiment in August, 1914. While at Oxford he had served in the O.T.C. After training at Luton and Saffron Waldron he left with his Battalion for France, in March, 1915. He was killed at Wolverghem, near Neuve Eglise, very early on Whit Sunday morning, May 23rd, 1915. Soon after midnight he, with two of his men, was repairing some wiring in front of the trench, when he was hit by a bullet and died about 2 a.m. in the ambulance, on his way to the Field Hospital. He was buried near Neuve Eglise.

Colonel Knight (since killed), commanding the 5th North Staffordshire Regiment, writes :—

“He was certainly the bravest man I have ever seen out here and endeared himself to all of us. We did our best to make him more cautious, but he would set the example (as he did to all of us) to his Platoon, and he made them a splendid set of men.”

The President of the Officers' Mess writes :—

“I need only say that he was universally beloved both by Officers and men, and his Platoon would have done anything for him and followed him anywhere.”

His servant writes :—

“As time rolls by we miss him more and more. Each time we go to the trenches we pass his grave, and every time we pass each man marches to attention on his own account, so you can tell that he will never be forgotten.”

A brother-officer writes :—

“His men looked up to him with the utmost affection and respect, respect fully earned by his ability and keenness. He died after accomplishing work that would have been deemed impossible in one so young, and of such short experience.”



CHARLES EDWARD HOLDEN LOXTON

2ND LIEUTENANT R. T. MACIVER

Royal Scots

Rendalls 11²-14²

Aged 18

September 11th, 1915

ONLY son of the late Robert Rankin MacIver, of Rothay Bank, Ambleside, Westmorland, and of Maude C. MacIver, now Mrs. H. S. Sanderson. R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1914.

2nd Lieutenant MacIver was gazetted to the 1st Battalion Royal Scots in March, 1915; he was attached to the 3rd Battalion, but in the following month joined the 1st Battalion in France. He was killed in the trenches on September 11th, 1915, by a stray shell near Armentières, while instructing a draft of Kitchener's Army.

Lieut.-Colonel Callender, 1st Royal Scots, wrote:—

“It is with the very greatest grief and sympathy that I have to write and tell you that your poor lad was killed this afternoon. I am so desperately sorry about it, because we were all so fond of him, and he is such a great loss to the Regiment. He was always so keen on his work and so reliable. He was just the right type of boy, of which we get so few nowadays. I wanted to let you know how much I appreciated him, and how much we shall all miss him.”

Captain G. W. Bennett-Clark wrote:—

“Your son has been in my Company since he came out to this country. He was very popular both with his brother-officers and with the men, in whom he always took the greatest interest.”

A brother-officer wrote:—

“... Of one thing I am certain, he died as he lived, ‘playing the game.’”



ROBERT TROUTBECK MACIVER

LIEUTENANT I. B. MACLEOD

Royal Highlanders

Elmfield, 06³-10¹

Aged 21

April 17th, 1915

ONLY son of the Rev. R. C. MacLeod (O.H.), of Mitford Vicarage, Morpeth, and nephew of MacLeod of MacLeod, of Dunvegan Castle, Isle of Skye.

Lieutenant MacLeod was gazetted to the Black Watch in 1912, and joined the 2nd Battalion in India, in November of that year. He went to the Front with his Regiment in October, 1914, having been gazetted Lieutenant the previous month. He was killed on April 17th, 1915.



IAN BREAC MACLEOD

LIEUTENANT H. A. G. MALET

King's Own Scottish Borderers

Home Boarders 05²-10

Aged 23

April 18th, 1915

ELDEST son of Allan A. Greville Malet and of Mrs. Malet, of The Butts, Harrow-on-the-Hill.

Caius College, Cambridge.

Lieutenant Malet received a University Commission in the K.O.S.B. in September, 1914, and went to the Front in the following November. He was killed in action at Hill 60, on Sunday, April 18th, 1915.

The following account is given by a Lance-Corporal and a Private who were in A Company and were present at his death, and were themselves wounded :—

“At 3.30 a.m. on Sunday A and B Companies, K.O.S.B., relieved the West Kents in the craters and the new trench. Within five minutes of arrival in the trench, which was only five feet deep, Captain Wingate, commanding A Company, was killed by a rifle bullet through the head. Lieut. Malet took command of the trench and in less than an hour was killed in an exactly similar way. His death was instantaneous.”

A brother-officer writes :—

“He was considered by his men to be a wonderfully brave Officer ; he volunteered for all dangerous duties. Quite recently he had gone out four nights in command of scouts in front of the British trenches to try and capture German ‘listening’ posts and snipers. He used to come back from these night scouting expeditions covered from head to foot in mud from the ditches he had crawled through ; the men always said he would either get a V.C. or be killed.”

Another brother-officer writes :—

“Everyone here speaks very highly of him, and they all say he was absolutely fearless. I understand his name was sent in for ‘mention in despatches’ for some very useful work he did in scouting.”

One of his men wrote to his mother :—

“The next time we went in, your son, at a very great risk to himself, went about looking for different ways into the trench, so that we should not have to go through the communication trenches, which were full of water ; and he always found a way which took us in with dry feet, which meant a great deal to our comfort. He was always the same every time we went into the trenches—the comfort of the men came first.”



HUGH ARTHUR GRENVILLE MALET

CAPTAIN E. A. MARROW

King's Own Scottish Borderers

The Park 97³-00³

Aged 31

April 25th, 1915

ONLY son of the late Major P. Marrow (O.H.), King's Dragoon Guards, and of Mrs. Marrow, of Belhaven Hill, Dunbar.

Captain Marrow joined the 1st Battalion, King's Own Scottish Borderers, in 1902, and attained his Captaincy in 1910. He was killed in the Dardanelles on April 25th, 1915.



EDWARD ARMFIELD MARROW

CAPTAIN H. C. MARTEN

South Staffordshire Regiment

High Street 04²-07¹

Aged 25

August 9th, 1915

THIRD and youngest son of Harry Holditch Marten, Chairman of Young and Marten, Ltd., Caledonian Works, Stratford, of Lloyds House, Bishops Down, Tunbridge Wells, and of Elizabeth Marten.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Captain Marten was gazetted to the 2nd Battalion, South Staffordshire Regiment, in 1909. He served with his Regiment for a year in South Africa. In 1914 he went to West Africa for about three months, returning to England three days before war was declared. He reported himself at the War Office, but was too late to go on active service with the 2nd Staffordshires, who were badly cut up in the early part of the War. He was then attached to the 7th Staffordshires and was sent with them to the Dardanelles on July 1st, 1915. He was killed in action at Gallipoli on August 9th, 1915. Major Yool, of the Staffordshires, wrote that he died leading his men on to avenge the death of his brother-officers who were nearly all killed in this action.



HAROLD CHARLES MARTEN

MAJOR W. F. MARTIN

Leicestershire Yeomanry

The Head Master's 90²-94²

Aged 39

May 13th, 1915

SECOND son of the late Robert Trewen Martin (O.H.), M.A., J.P. for the County of Leicestershire, of Anstey and The Brand, Leicestershire, and of Henrietta Susan, daughter of the Rev. E. R. Larken, Rector of Burton by Lincoln.

Shooting VIII, 1893-4. Trinity College, Cambridge. University Shooting VIII, 1895. Director and Secretary of the Mountsorrel Granite Co., Leicester.

Married, in 1912, Violet Anne Philippa, elder daughter of Colonel Walter Wynter, and leaves a son and a daughter.

Major Martin served as a Lieutenant with the Leicestershire Yeomanry in the South African War and received the Queen's Medal and four clasps.

He went to the Front in November, 1914, the Leicestershire Yeomanry being brigaded with the 1st and 2nd Life Guards. He served in the trenches near Ypres during the winter and spring. On the night of May 12th, 1915, he went up with the 2nd Cavalry Division, during the 2nd Battle of Ypres, into the trenches between Zonnebeke Road and the Roulers Railway, his squadron occupying part of the front-line trench north of the railway. Heavy shelling on the morning of May 13th drove back the troops on their left, and he was killed while assisting by rifle-fire in keeping off an enemy flank attack from that direction.

A brother-officer writes:—

"He was the finest man I ever met. In the fight he behaved as everyone knew he would. He was like a rock and by his steady courage kept his men together. He was well backed up, which must have made him very happy. You will be very sad, but, when you know exactly how he died, you will be very proud of him."

His Sergeant-Major writes:—

"In Major W. F. Martin we have lost the best Squadron Leader the Leicestershire Yeomanry has ever known."

The Colonel of the Leicestershire Yeomanry, with whom he fought in South Africa, wrote:—

"Having been with him in South Africa, no one knew his worth more than I did, and I was proud to call him friend. His work with the Yeomanry, before they went out, and since he has been in France, has been the best man could give."



WILLIAM FRANCIS MARTIN

LIEUTENANT W. F. J. MAXWELL

King's Own Scottish Borderers

Elmfield 99²-03³

Aged 30

August 13, 1915

ONLY son of Sir William F. Maxwell, of Cardoness, Bart. (O.H.) ; there being no other heir, the title becomes extinct in the male line.

Trinity College, Cambridge, B.A. 1908. He had passed the first examination in Edinburgh for LL.B., in anticipation of going to the Scottish Bar.

Lieutenant Maxwell joined the 5th K.O.S.B. (T.F.) on leaving Cambridge. He was sent to Gallipoli in May, 1915, and served with his Battalion there, until he was killed in action on August 13th, 1915. Out of many letters received the following are extracts.

General Sir Ian Hamilton writes to his father :—

" . . . From all sides I have heard of the special charm which made your boy beloved by all who had the privilege of knowing him. It has been specially mentioned to me that he was a good Officer, and one who had no fear."

Lieut.-Colonel Millar, commanding 1/5th K.O.S.B., writes :—

"Lieutenant Maxwell met his death while engaged with a bombing party, attacking a very dangerous and difficult section of Turkish trench. This party had done remarkably well and had driven the enemy out of a considerable length of trench. . . . It must somewhat mitigate your sorrow to know that Lieutenant Maxwell nobly and fearlessly carried through a dangerous and difficult task successfully, and fell just when his task was being accomplished."

Lieutenant Salmon, 1/5th K.O.S.B., writes :—

"He did excellent work, and I am told that General Douglas sent him a letter of thanks. . . . All our Officers here felt his loss very keenly. We had all got to love him very much, and he had the respect and devotion of his men, and his life was a model to them."

Captain A. Clark Kennedy, Adjutant 1/5th K.O.S.B., since killed in action at Gaza, writes :—

"The men in his Platoon thought no end of him, and, as censor of their letters home, I have seen what they told their people at home about him, and how very highly they must have respected and liked him. . . . I need not tell you how perfectly ready for death he always was. A more unselfish Christian man I never knew, or one more interested in all that is good."



WILLIAM FRANCIS JOHN MAXWELL

LIEUTENANT J. W. MAYNARD

King's Royal Rifle Corps

Moretons 09¹-14¹

Aged 18

April 24th, 1915

YOUNGER SON of Edmund Anthony Jefferson Maynard (O.H.), and Margaret Blanche, elder daughter of R. S. Wilmot Sitwell, of Stainsby House, Smalley, Derbyshire.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1914.

Lieutenant Maynard received his Commission in the King's Royal Rifle Corps on leaving Sandhurst, and went to the Front in March, 1915. He was killed at Ypres, on the morning of April 24th, 1915, while peacefully sleeping in his 'dug-out' in the support trenches, half a mile behind the firing line. Quiet, with a keen sense of humour, he had already won the friendship of his brother-officers, two of whom wrote to say how fond they had grown of him in the short time he was with them.



JOHN WILMOT MAYNARD

LIEUT.-COLONEL SIR J. P. MILBANKE, BART., V.C.

Nottinghamshire Yeomanry

The Headmaster's 86²-89³

Aged 42

August 21st, 1915

ELDER SON of the late Sir Peniston Milbanke, 9th Baronet (O.H.), D.L., J.P. for Sussex, and of Elizabeth Margaret, daughter of the Hon. Richard Denman.

Succeeded as 10th Baronet in 1899.

Married, in 1900, Amelia (Leila), only daughter of Lieut.-Colonel the Hon. Charles and Lady Madeline Crichton, and leaves two sons.

Lieut.-Colonel Sir John Milbanke joined the Sussex Militia in 1890, and was gazetted to the 10th Hussars in 1892. He served with them in Ireland until the outbreak of the South African War, during which he acted as A.D.C. to Sir John French.

At Colesburg on January 5th, 1900, just before the memorable occasion on which the Suffolks were captured, he was out with a reconnoitring party of the 10th Hussars, when, the horse of one of the men having been ridden to a standstill, he, being already severely wounded, rode back through a galling fire, picked up the man, put him on his own horse and brought him safely in. Unfortunately, on arrival, he was unconscious from loss of blood and could not communicate the information he had gathered. Had he been able to do so the Suffolks would have been otherwise employed. For this action, while home on sick leave after his wound, he was given the V.C. by Queen Victoria. This was the last public duty she performed before her death. He was also mentioned in Despatches and received the Queen's Medal and two clasps.

After the South African War Sir John served with the 10th Hussars in India, where he incidentally achieved some success pig-sticking, winning the Guzerat Cup in 1906, and being runner-up for it in 1907.

He retired from the Army in 1910, but rejoined on the outbreak of the War, taking over the command of the Sherwood Rangers in October, 1914. He left England with the Regiment in April, 1915, and was killed at the head of his men on August 21st, 1915, at the farthest point reached by British troops on Hill 70, Gallipoli, three days after arriving on the Peninsula. At the time of his death he had just received a communication offering him a Brigade.



SIR JOHN PENISTON MILBANKE, BART.

LIEUTENANT T. R. MILLS

Manchester Regiment (T.F.)

West Acre 002-052

Aged 29

June 4th, 1915

ONLY son of T. H. Mills, of White Bank House, Stockport, and of Mrs. Mills.

Trinity College, Cambridge.

Lieutenant Mills went out to Egypt with the 4th Battalion (T.F.), of the Manchester Regiment. He spent many months there training and was then sent on with his Regiment to the Dardanelles, where he was killed in a bayonet charge on June 4th, 1915.

Captain Holberton, his Adjutant, wrote:—

“Previous to the attack he was put on to organize the difficult task of getting supplies to the front line. He did excellent work and was priceless in all the work of pushing forward to take new ground. He was killed during the attack on June 4th, not far from the most forward point reached by the Battalion. Tommy Mills and Donald both lived a few minutes, in each case telling their men to go on and leave them.”

His Colonel wrote:—

“One can and need add nothing to this, except a word as to his cheery and attractive character, which made him beloved both by Officers and men during the long period of training in Egypt. He was very keen and capable and at the same time had an unfailing fund of fun and humour. His Pierrot Company, which was an immense source of pleasure to the whole Battalion, was characteristic of the combined humour and energy that he put into everything. He was from the first keen to see service, and whatever he did he put his heart into, and he carried that right out to the end.”



TOM RATHMAN MILLS

CAPTAIN J. C. MORGAN

The Yorkshire Regiment

The Head Master's 89^a-94ⁱ

Aged 38

August 7th, 1915

ONLY son of John Hammond Morgan (O.H.), C.V.O., F.R.C.S., of
3 Connaught Square, W.

Trinity College, Oxford. B.A. 1898, M.A. 1903.

He was married and leaves a widow and one daughter.

Captain Morgan joined the 3rd (Militia) Battalion, the Yorkshire Regiment in February, 1899, and in the following December was gazetted to the 1st Battalion. He served with his Regiment in the South African War, being present at various engagements and receiving the Queen's Medal and five clasps, and the King's Medal and two clasps. He was promoted Captain in 1906, and retired from the Army three years later.

On the outbreak of the War he rejoined and was gazetted to the 6th Battalion, the Yorkshire Regiment, with the rank of Captain. He served with them at Grantham and other places before leaving, in July, 1915, for Suvla Bay. He was killed while leading his Company to the capture of Lala Baba, during the landing at Suvla Bay. He was buried on Lala Baba.



JOHN CECIL MORGAN

CAPTAIN G. H. MORRISON

London Rifle Brigade (T.F.)

Elmfield 03²-08²

Aged 26

March 31st, 1915

YOUNGER SON of John Hebb Morrison, of 63 Hamilton Terrace, N.W., and of Mrs. Morrison.

Monitor 1907-8. Football XI 1907. Magdalen College, Oxford. President of the Junior Common Room.

Captain Morrison, on coming down from Oxford, was appointed to a Commission in the London Rifle Brigade, being promoted Lieutenant in 1912, and Captain in 1915. He went to the Front in October, 1914, and was killed on March 31st, 1915, near Ploegsteert; he is buried in the Rifle Brigade Cemetery, in the wood of Ploegsteert.

His Colonel, Lord Cairns, wrote :—

“He was most thorough in all his work and had his men well in hand, but they idolized him and would have followed him anywhere. They greatly appreciated, as we all did, his keen sense of fun. He was splendid at the Front—never spared himself and shared every hardship and danger with his men. He never asked them to do anything he did not do himself, and he set them a fine example.”

A brother-officer wrote :—

“A finer, more manly, or straighter fellow never breathed; his country and his many friends are the poorer for his loss.”

“Universally loved by all, a born leader of men.”

“I knew him well at Magdalen; he was one of the best men I ever knew.”

Mr. Cookson wrote from Magdalen :—

“I remember when they elected him President of the J.C.R. There were several men in College more prominent and more distinguished in all sorts of ways, but undergraduate opinion very seldom goes wrong in the men they select for the really responsible posts, when they pick out the man who is to represent the best side of them and by whom their generation is to be remembered. . . . He showed qualities as President that are very rare, and he raised the whole tradition of the post by the fact that he, a Commoner, never allowed it to interfere with his work.”



GERARD HUMPHREY MORRISON

LIEUT.-COLONEL M. H. NUNN

Worcestershire Regiment

The Grove 79¹-81²

Aged 50

August 10th, 1915

ONLY SON of William Henry Nunn, of Broadwater Down, Tunbridge Wells, and of his wife Sophie Caroline, daughter of Major Richard Rollo Houghton, late of the Buffs.

Lieut.-Colonel Nunn was gazetted to the Worcestershire Regiment from the Middlesex Militia in 1886. He was employed with the Egyptian Army in 1896-7, and served in the Nile Expedition in 1897, receiving the Egyptian Medal with clasp. During the latter part of the South African War he was in command of the Imperial Yeomanry in Natal during 1902, and held the Queen's Medal with clasp. In 1906 he retired and joined the Reserve of Officers, but he rejoined his old Regiment on the outbreak of the War and was given command of the 9th (Service) Battalion of the Worcestershire Regiment in January, 1915.

He went with his Regiment to the Dardanelles in June, 1915, and was killed in action at Sari Bair on August 10th, 1915. He was mentioned in Sir Ian Hamilton's Despatch of December, 1915, 'for gallant and distinguished service in the field.'

A brother-officer wrote:—

"Only those who have served with him throughout will ever know what he did for the Battalion."



MERVYN HENRY NUNN

CAPTAIN D. W. PAWLE

Border Regiment

Rendalls 01²-05²

Aged 27

April 29th, 1915

ELDEST SON of Lewis S. Pawle, of Hutchin's Barn, Beaconsfield, and of Mrs. Pawle.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Captain Pawle received his Commission in 1907, and joined his Regiment in South Africa, at the end of that year. In 1910 he was seconded for service with the Northern Nigerian Regiment and was serving with the 2nd Battalion, when war was declared. He was killed in action on April 29th, 1915, when in command of a small force at Fort Gurin, N. Nigeria. He was buried in the Fort which he gallantly defended against a greatly superior force of the enemy.

The Political Officer of the District wrote to his father :—

"Your son Derek and I were attacked in the little fort at dawn. We had a British N.C.O. and some 40 native soldiers and police. The enemy came on, some 300 soldiers, 16 Europeans and 4 maxims. We had a good idea they were coming, and your son, who was O.C. Troops, could have withdrawn his little force and retreated. No thought of the kind suggested itself to him. He opened fire on the enemy at once, and we had a heavy action from 5 a.m. till noon—the enemy using three of his guns and making repeated attempts to get his infantry up to the assault. Soon after midday he stopped firing and drew off altogether at 4.30 p.m. Your son was shot through the head very soon after the start of the action. He dropped at once and did not suffer at all. When he was killed, he was in the act of getting the men to fire at the right range, going from loophole to loophole continually in the bravest possible manner."

Sir F. Lugard, in the official report, states "that this action reflects the greatest credit on the Officers and men of the small British Force concerned," while the Commandant of the Nigerian Regiment reports "that the success was of great importance, having regard to the general situation."



DEREK WEATHERALL PAWLE

LIEUT.-COLONEL J. R. PEASE

Royal Garrison Artillery

The Knoll 87³-90¹

Aged 42

May 17th, 1915

ELDEST son of H. J. Robinson Pease, Banker, of Hesslewood, near Hull.

Pembroke College, Cambridge. J.P. for the East Riding of Yorkshire. Married, and leaves a widow, two sons and a daughter.

Lieut.-Colonel Pease had served for many years in the East York Artillery Militia, of which he became Lieut.-Colonel. He was on the Reserve of Officers and held the rank of Captain in the Army. On the outbreak of the War he was put in command of the Fort at Gosport. He died at the Grove House, Lymington, Hants, of pneumonia following influenza.



JOSEPH ROBINSON PEASE

CAPTAIN R. M. PIKE

Royal Flying Corps

The Head Master's 001-012

Aged 28

August 9th, 1915

SECOND and youngest son of Robert Lecky Pike, D.L., of Kilnock, Tullow, Co. Carlow, and of Mrs. Pike.

Captain Pike entered the Royal Navy in 1903, but, owing to an accident, which left him with a stiff knee for life, was invalided out three years later. At the beginning of the War, in September, 1914, he joined the Royal Flying Corps, took his pilot's certificate after a month's training and quickly became an expert airman. He remained in England until the end of January, 1915, when he went to the Front. Three months later he was promoted Flight-Commander and temporary Captain. He was killed on August 9th, 1915, flying a De Haviland Scout, fighting two German aeroplanes single-handed near Hooge. He defeated one of the enemy machines, but whether he was shot down by the other or by shell-fire from below is not known. He fell in the German lines and died almost immediately. A German message was picked up in our lines saying that he had died a gallant death and had been buried in a churchyard close by, with full military honours.



ROBERT MAXWELL PIKE

LIEUTENANT G. H. POLLOCK

South Staffordshire Regiment

Church Hill 574-111

Aged 31

June 18th, 1915

SECOND son of Colonel Evelyn Pollock (O.H.), R.F.A., and of Mary Pollock, of 40 Gledistanes Road, London, W., and great-grandson of Field-Marshal Sir George Pollock, Bart., G.C.B., G.C.S.I.

Entrance Scholar.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1912.

After passing out of Sandhurst in December, 1912, Lieutenant Pollock decided to abandon the Army as a profession and joined the staff of the London Life Assurance. When the War broke out he was given a Commission in the 4th Staffordshire Regiment. In May, 1915, he went out to France, being attached to the 1st Warwicks, and had been only six weeks in the country, when he was shot near Ypres, on June 18th, 1915, while out on patrol duty. That month he was gazetted to a permanent Commission.

The Colonel of the 1st Warwickshire Regiment wrote:—

"I can't tell you how we all deplore your son's death, or how much we all respected him and admired his great and unselfish devotion to duty."

The Colonel of the 4th South Staffordshire Regiment wrote:—

"I can't tell you how truly grieved I was to hear the sad news, as I was particularly fond of your boy, and he was so popular with everyone; we all feel his loss greatly."

The Manager of the Insurance Office in which he was working when the War broke out wrote:—

"We all of us would like you to know how much we shall miss him. Many of the men from here went out from a sense of duty, but I am sure your boy was only too eager to get his Commission, and that he would have chosen a soldier's death."



GEORGE HENRY POLLOCK

LIEUTENANT A. M. F. W. PORTER

Lancashire Fusiliers

The Head Master's 04³-09¹

Aged 24

April 25th, 1915

ELDEST SON of J. Francis Porter, M.D., J.P., H.M. Coroner for the North Riding of Yorkshire, and of Edith S. Porter, of Helmsley, Yorkshire.

Magdalen College, Oxford. First Whip to the New College and Magdalen Beagles. B.A. 1912.

Lieutenant Porter was gazetted to the 1st Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers in 1913, and joined his Regiment at Multan, India, in March of that year. The Regiment returned to England in January, 1915, and in March sailed from Avonmouth for the Dardanelles. On April 25th, 1915, the 1st Lancashire Fusiliers landed on W. Beach, Lancashire Landing, and he was killed while climbing the cliff to capture a machine gun.

Major Pearson, 1st Lancashire Fusiliers, writes to his father :—

“Your poor boy, who was my Subaltern, was killed at the landing whilst trying to capture a machine gun concealed in a cliff, up which he was leading his men most gallantly. Death was instantaneous. He was buried in our little private cemetery on Lancashire Landing.”

Colonel Victor Gostling, 88th Field Ambulance, 29th Division, who found him, writes :—

“At a critical moment in the one really successful part of a landing which may yet change the world's history your son rallied his men and charged for the machine gun, which was doing more than anything to stop our men getting up the hill. Though the poor lad was instantly killed, his men went on, put the gun out of action, stopped the enflading fire and enabled the rest to go forward—and all due to his initiative and splendid dash and leading.”



ALWYNE MORTON FRANCIS WORSLEY PORTER

2ND LIEUTENANT G. P. N. REID

Essex Yeomanry

The Grove 02¹-05³

Aged 27

May 12th, 1915

SECOND SON of Percy Reid (O.H.), of Feering Bury Manor House, Kelvedon, Essex, and The Brewery, Hatfield, and of Mrs. Reid.

Football XI, 1905.

Director of Pryor and Co., Brewers, Hatfield.

2nd Lieutenant Reid went to France in November, 1914, with his Regiment, which was brigaded with the 10th Hussars and The Blues. They went into action on May 12th, 1915, and were ordered to take a German trench at any cost: this they did. 2nd Lieutenant Reid was in charge of the Machine-Gun Section, and during the charge the men carrying the ammunition got separated from him. After reaching in safety the trench from which the Germans had been driven, he returned a considerable distance across the open in search of the ammunition—but fruitlessly, as all his men had been killed. Returning to the trench, he helped to organize its defence and was using his revolver at close quarters against the Germans who had re-formed and who were again charging, when he was shot in the head. As the trench was re-taken by the Germans his body was never recovered.

A brother-officer writes:—

“As for Geoffrey, it is impossible to say too much. He always was one of the very best, and he went out to fight as an English gentleman should, and because he considered it his duty to go—we all loved him.”

Another brother-officer writes:—

“Your son was one of the nicest fellows I ever met, so courteous and cheery, it did me good to be in his company. His troop feel his loss terribly—he organized everything so well, and was such a thorough sportsman.”

Another writes:—

“Geoffrey was a splendid boy. The Colonel, who is missing, probably dead, considered him one of the ‘best boys’ in the Regiment. The charge was simply magnificent, and the Regiment came on as though they were on parade—with hunting cries they dashed forward.”



GEOFFREY PERCY NEVILE REID

LIEUTENANT H. N. L. RENTON

King's Royal Rifle Corps

Newlands 08³-14⁷

Aged 20

July 30th, 1915

SECOND son of James Henry Renton and Louise Sophia Renton, of Woodcote, Aspley Guise, Bedfordshire.

Monitor, 1914. Cricket XI, 1914. Captain of his House at Cricket and Football.

Lieutenant Renton had matriculated at Magdalen College, Oxford, but on the outbreak of the War he immediately joined the K.R.R.C., training with the 9th Battalion at Aldershot and Petworth. He was promoted Lieutenant in February, 1915.

He went to France in May, 1915, and, a fortnight after landing, was in almost continuous service in the trenches. By his coolness and courage he won his Colonel's warmest appreciation, and in July, 1915, with less than a year's service to his credit, was recommended for promotion to the rank of Captain.

He was killed on July 30th, 1915, by a bullet through the head, just as he got over the parapet to lead the attack. Eight Officers of the Battalion, including the Colonel, were killed, and eight wounded in this engagement, which took place near Hooze, on the Ypres-Menin Road; the Battalion went into action with 21 officers and 900 men; it came out with 3 officers and 200 men unhurt.

His Major writes :—

"He was a real soldier through and through, absolutely fearless, painstaking, and trustworthy, and his men loved him. He was my right hand in everything, and, however difficult the task set him, I could always be absolutely sure that he would see it through all right."

His Captain, who was severely wounded on the same day, wrote :—

"All through the day Noel behaved with the greatest coolness, and I do not know what we should have done without him, as there were only three of us. He never paid the slightest attention to danger, and he was tremendously pleased, when I ordered the charge. Not only his own Platoon, but the whole Company were devoted to him and would have followed him anywhere, as they did. . . . He died as well as a man could."

A Sergeant who was wounded at the same time says his death was instantaneous, and that he lay quite peacefully, with a smile on his face.



HARRY NOEL LESLIE RENTON

LIEUTENANT W. B. R. RHODES-MOORHOUSE, V.C.

Royal Flying Corps

'The Park 011-05'

Aged 27

April 27th, 1915

ELDER son of Edward Moorhouse, of Parnham House, Beaminster, and of Mrs. Moorhouse.

In accordance with the will of his grandfather he assumed, by Royal Licence, on January 21st, 1913, the name of Rhodes, in addition to and before that of Moorhouse.

Trinity Hall, Cambridge, 1908-10.

Married, in 1912, Linda Beatrice, youngest daughter of the late Robert Ambrose Morritt, of Rokeby, and leaves a son.

Lieutenant Rhodes-Moorhouse had been engaged on monoplane experiments, chiefly at Huntingdon, during 1910 and 1911, and has been described as "one of the pioneers of aviation in England," and "the finest cross-country flier of his time." He took his Pilot's certificate after flying over 1000 miles, in October, 1911, and made the first Channel flight with two passengers, in August, 1912. He gave up flying after his marriage, but, on the outbreak of the War, received a Commission in the Royal Flying Corps. He was at first placed in charge of the workshops at South Farnborough, and then, in March, 1915, joined No. 2 Squadron, No. 1 Wing, at the Front.

On Monday, April 26th, 1915, during the second battle of Ypres, an extremely urgent message came through from Head Quarters to Merville, ordering the immediate destruction of the railway line at Courtrai, in order to prevent the Germans bringing up reinforcements, to the extent of a whole Army Corps. He was detailed for this task, his instructions being "to use his own discretion as to the height at which he could drop his bomb." He successfully accomplished this, but was twice severely wounded, the second time mortally. He died in Hospital on the next day. Before his death he received the following message from Sir John French: "But for pressure of work the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief would have visited Lieutenant Moorhouse himself, to express his admiration for his courage, and the way in which he carried out his duties yesterday." "For gallant and distinguished conduct in the field," he was mentioned in Sir John French's despatch of May 31st, 1915, and was subsequently awarded the Victoria Cross.

Major T. I. Webb-Bowen, who commanded his Squadron, writes:—

"... His last act has now set a standard of courage and devotion to duty, which others may hope to equal but never excel."



WILLIAM BARNARD RHODES RHODES-MOORHOUSE.

2ND LIEUTENANT F. RICARD

Royal Warwickshire Regiment

The Head Master's 01³-06²

Aged 27

April 25th, 1915

ELDEST son of Charles Ricard, of 97 Westbourne Terrace, W., and of Mrs. Ricard.

Monitor, 1905; King's College, Cambridge, M.A., LL.B., 1910. Barrister-at-law, Inner Temple.

2nd Lieutenant Ricard was in America, studying law, when the War broke out; he immediately returned to England and was given a Commission in the Royal Warwickshire Regiment. He went to the Front in January, 1915, and was killed in action near St. Julien, in Belgium, on April 25th, 1915.



FRANK RICARD

2ND LIEUTENANT W. A. I. RICHARDSON

Royal West Kent Regiment

Rendalls OS²-12¹

Aged 20

August 31st, 1915

THIRD SON of William Ridley Richardson (O.H.), M.A., of Ravensfell, Bromley, Kent, and of Elizabeth Harriott his wife, only daughter of John Newman Tweedy, of Bromley, Kent.

On the staff of Messrs. Price, Forbes & Co., Ltd., of Lothbury and Lloyds.

2nd Lieutenant Richardson enlisted as a Rifleman in the Queen's Westminsters (16th London Regiment) in August, 1914, and served with them for more than nine months. He left with his Regiment for France on November 1st, 1914, and was wounded in the left ear in the following month. In May, 1915, he was discharged from the Territorial Force and was given a Commission in the 1st Royal West Kent Regiment.

He was mortally wounded on July 16th, 1915, under the following circumstances :—

The trenches were being heavily shelled, one shell bringing down a ruined brick wall, which buried one of his men, and, whilst helping to dig him out, he was hit by shrapnel and knocked back into the trench. The man whose life he had saved came to his assistance at once and was able to bind up his wounds. He was immediately taken to the Clearing Hospital, and thence to the Base Hospital at Boulogne, where his wound proved so serious that it resulted in the loss of his leg. Septic poisoning, however, set in, and he died on August 31st, 1915. His body was brought back to England and buried at Bromley Hill Cemetery with full military honours on September 4th.

His Captain writes to his father :—

"I must tell you how sorry I was to see in the paper that your son had died of his wounds. I had a cheery letter from him after the amputation and hoped all was going well with him. For his service, he was a long way the best subaltern I ever had, exceedingly keen and capable, and his Platoon was the best in the Company."



WILLIAM ARTHUR INGHAM RICHARDSON

CAPTAIN J. M. RONALD

East Kent Regiment

The Knoll 90°-94°

Aged 38

April 23rd, 1915

SIXTH son of Robert Bruce Ronald and of Fanny Ronald, of Pembury Grange, Tunbridge Wells.

Monitor, 1894. Football XI, 1893-4.

R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1895.

Married, in 1903, Evelyn Crosthwait, and leaves a daughter.

Captain Ronald received his Commission in the Buffs in 1906 ; he got his Company in 1900, and was Adjutant from 1904 to 1907. He served with the 2nd Battalion in the South African War, and took part in the relief of Kimberley and the battles of Paardeberg, Poplar Grove, and Dreifontein, being twice slightly wounded. He received the Queen's Medal with four clasps, and the King's Medal with two clasps.

He retired from the Army in 1912, but resumed service as a Railway Transport Officer on August 6th, 1914, and rejoined his Regiment the following March. He was shot through the head and instantaneously killed on April 23rd, 1915, about a mile from Wieltje Farm.



JAMES MACBAIN RONALD

LIEUT.-COLONEL P. C. L. ROUTLEDGE

South Staffordshire Regiment

Druries 88'-91'

Aged 41

May 17th, 1915

FOURTH son of the late Edmund Routledge, J.P., Publisher, and of Mrs. Routledge, of Coombe Lodge, Wimbledon.

Colonel Routledge was gazetted to the 2nd Battalion, South Staffordshire Regiment, in 1895. He served with his Regiment in India and after the South African War was stationed at Pretoria. He returned with the Battalion to England in 1911.

He went to France with the original Expeditionary Force in August, 1914, and was through the Retreat from Mons and present at the actions of Landrecies, Le Cateau, and Givenchy. On February 18th, 1915, he had the brevet rank of Lieutenant-Colonel bestowed upon him for distinguished service in the field and was mentioned in Sir John French's despatches. He was killed while leading his Regiment in an attack on the German trenches on May 17th, 1915; he had cleared two trenches and was leading his men into a third, when he was hit in the temple and fell instantly.

Brigadier-General Fanshaw wrote :—

“He and his Regiment did grandly. I feel that besides losing one who has played such a leading part in the 6th Brigade in the Ypres fighting, at Givenchy, and here, I have lost a very valued friend.”

Lieutenant-Colonel Davidson, C.O. 2nd South Staffordshire Regiment, wrote :—

“Beloved by all who met him, the life and spirit of the Regiment and the most gallant Officer.”



PHILIP CHARLES LYTTON ROUTLEDGE

LIEUTENANT THE REV. F. E. B. HULTON SAMS

Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry

Rendalls 96'-99³

Aged 33

July 31st, 1915

ELDEST SON of the Rev. George Frederick Sams, Rector of Emberton and Rural Dean, and of Sarah Beatrix Sams, *née* Hulton.

Trinity College, Cambridge. Won the University Feather-weight Boxing Cup in 1901, 1902, 1904, and represented Cambridge against Oxford in those years, winning each time. He was ordained in September, 1905, to the curacy of St. Paul's, Balsall Heath, Birmingham, and in 1908 joined the Bush Brotherhood, Queensland, where he worked till 1914, his skill in boxing earning him the sobriquet of "the Fighting Parson."

On the outbreak of the War Lieutenant Hulton Sams applied for a Military Chaplaincy, but, failing to obtain one, enlisted in the 3rd Bedfordshire Regiment, in which he rose to the rank of Lance-Corporal. In November, 1914, he received a Commission in the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry.

He was killed at Hooze on July 31st, 1915, while crawling from cover to fetch water for his wounded men.

His Adjutant writes :—

"He died a glorious death, commanding a Company in an important position, and sticking to it, where others might have failed. . . . All the afternoon and all night they never flinched, though the enemy attacked again and again with bombs and liquid fire. Next morning at 10 a.m. I crawled out and talked to him. He was magnificent and very cheerful, and his last words to me were, 'Well, this is a bit thick, but we'll see it through, never fear.' . . . After that he crawled out of cover to see if he could get water for the men, many of whom were wounded and very thirsty. He was hit by a piece of shell in the thigh and side and never recovered consciousness. He was a fine Officer, a fine friend, and worshipped by his men, and he died doing a thing which makes us proud to have known him."

It was said of him when he left Australia: "He touched men that other Brothers failed to reach and brought the message of the Gospel to those who in the past have stood aloof: he was a man among men, and his heart was right there."



FREDERICK EDWARD BARWICK HULTON SAMS

LIEUTENANT J. H. SEAVERNS

London Regiment (T.F.)

The Park 07'-11'

Aged 23

May 10th, 1915

ONLY child of Joel Herbert Seaverns, formerly M.P. for the Brixton Division of Lambeth, of 25 Grosvenor Road, S.W., and of Helen Gertrude Seaverns.

Christ Church, Oxford, 1911-14.

On leaving Harrow Lieutenant Seaverns was gazetted to the 1st City of London (Royal Fusiliers). He was a keen Territorial Officer and had taken much interest in his military duties. He joined his Regiment on the outbreak of the War and served with it in Malta from September, 1914, to February, 1915, and afterwards in France. In the action of May 9th, 1915, opposite Aubers Ridge, he commanded the forward Platoon of the right wing of his Battalion, and fell mortally wounded, dying on the next day. Lieutenant R. G. B. Bowen, also of The Park, his old friend at Harrow and Oxford, and an Officer in his Battalion, was killed in the same engagement.

Lieut.-Colonel E. G. Mercer, C.M.G., 1st City of London (Royal Fusiliers), writes:—

“He was a keen Officer and loved by the men of his Platoon, and their advance into a storm of shot and shell, after he had fallen at their head, was the finest testimony that could be paid him.”

An Officer who formerly served under him in the ranks writes:—

“I shall always remember him as a gentleman and a thorough soldier and Officer. On many occasions he went entirely out of his way to see to the comfort of his men—always so full of spirit, and so keen for the welfare of those under him: he was justly admired by all ranks, and the men would go anywhere for him.”

Captain Glover, his Company Commander, afterwards killed in action in France, wrote:—

“Joel Seaverns was magnificent that day.”



JOEL HARRISON SEAVENS

CAPTAIN E. H. LE M. SINKINSON

24th Punjabis

The Park 96'-99'

Aged 33

July 14th, 1915

ELDEST surviving son of the late James Sinkinson, sometime Financial Secretary to the Supreme Government of India, and of his wife, Irene Sinkinson, now Mrs. Victor Fisher, and grandson of Colonel C. B. Le Mesurier, C.B., D.S.O., and of Contessa Zancarol. Godson of the late Lord Roberts.

Captain Sinkinson joined the Militia in 1901, and volunteered for active service in South Africa. He was gazetted to the Liverpool Regiment in 1902. During operations in the Transvaal he was severely injured in the leg and was unable to rejoin his Regiment until 1904: he received the Queen's Medal and three clasps. He then transferred to the Indian Army, and was gazetted Captain in 1911. While in India, during 1914, he was Recruiting Officer for the Sikhs and Dogras. His great ambition, however, was to see really active service, and this was gratified, when, in 1915, he was sent to Mesopotamia and succeeded in getting into the firing line, "where every keen soldier must desire to be," as he wrote home.

After the action of July 14th, 1915, he was reported 'missing,' but two months later a telegram was received saying, "Captain Sinkinson's dead body has been found and buried where he fell by the Regiment."

The following Royal message was received by his mother:—

"The King and Queen deeply regret the loss you and the Army have sustained by the death of your son in the service of his country. Their Majesties truly sympathise with you in your sorrow."

Major Cook-Young, of the Indian Expeditionary Force D, wrote:—

"The Regiment as usual did magnificently, but were attacked by Arabs behind—the Turkish position in front . . . the operation was mostly in deep water, up to the waist and higher. Captain Sinkinson was not at first wounded, and, it appears, tried to rally the men. What is so sad is that he could have got out of it, but refused, and sent two men back for ammunition. These two Sepoys were grand men and tried forcibly to carry Captain Sinkinson out of action—he would not permit it. . . . On returning to the place where they had left him he was not there. The obvious thing was that he had been killed, and his body lost in deep water. His loss to me is irreparable. I never had any affection for any individual in this world as I had for him, and I only wish I had been there to save him or to die with him."



EVELYN HENRY LE MESURIER SINKINSON

CAPTAIN G. C. STEWART

10th Royal Hussars

The Grove 03'-05"

Aged 27

May 13th, 1915

ELDER SON of Charles John Stewart (O.H.), Public Trustee, and of Lady Mary Stewart, eldest daughter of Hector, 3rd Earl of Norbury.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Captain Stewart was gazetted to the 10th Royal Hussars in 1907 and attached to the 18th Hussars at York for that summer. He joined the 10th Hussars at Rawal Pindi in the autumn of 1907, and was appointed Adjutant in 1912. He took part with his Regiment in quelling riots at Johannesburg in 1913. On the outbreak of the War he went to the Front with the 7th Division in October, 1914, and was twice wounded at the first Battle of Ypres. He was killed on May 13th, 1915, at the second Battle of Ypres.

A brother-officer wrote :—

"He died a very splendid soldier's death, leading his men in one of the most glorious counter-attacks ever made in the history of the British Army. It was such a fine performance that all the English troops who saw it cheered the survivors to the echo. He was a magnificent soldier and universally beloved by everyone in the Regiment. The recovery of his body is largely due to a piece of fine gallantry in going out for it on the part of Borthwick. The Regiment are in a magnificent state at the present moment, owing to Gerald's hard work in the past."

Another Officer wrote :—

"Just a line to tell you we buried poor old Jorrocks with his Colonel last night in two graves side by side. Clem Mitford's grave is just ahead of them, so all those dear good chaps are together. The whole Regiment went to the funeral, and Generals Byng, Kavanagh and Bulkeley Johnston, besides all the old 10th that could go. A bombardment was taking place at the time—it was most impressive and very sad—but it was worthy of the two men, for they were both more than ordinary heroes, and their last performance was magnificent, quite up to Balaclava."



GERALD CHARLES STEWART

2ND LIEUTENANT J. M. STEWART

Irish Guards

Elmfield 09²-111

Aged 19

April 1st, 1915

YOUNGER son of Charles John Stewart (O.H.), Public Trustee, and Lady Mary Stewart, eldest daughter of Hector, 3rd Earl of Norbury.

2nd Lieutenant Stewart joined the Irish Guards on the outbreak of the War and went to the Front on Christmas Eve, 1914. He acted as Battalion Transport Officer and had passed a bombing course. He was killed in the trenches at daybreak on April 1st, 1915, at Givenchy.

His Colonel writes :—

“He was a splendid boy, and we all liked him so much in the Irish Guards, and he behaved so gallantly out at the Front.”

His Adjutant writes to his father :—

“As Adjutant of this Battalion I can quite honestly tell you that your son was a most keen and efficient soldier, and never once during the whole time he was out here has he been heard to grumble. In addition to this he had made himself most popular, not only with his brother-officers, but also with the men of his Company ; so not only has the Regiment lost a promising Officer, but a real friend. We had only a few days before put in a special recommendation that he should become a regular Officer of the Regiment.”

From his Commanding Officer at Warley :—

“We were all so fond of him while he was here, and so they were in the 1st Battalion in France—officers and men too. I hear that the Company-Sergeant-Major quite broke down when he was killed, and, as you may guess, they have all been through so much that there is not much room left for any emotion.”

Another Officer writes :—

“The Officers of the Battalion asked me to say how terribly they felt his loss, for he was a real good fellow and very popular. He was one of the best Officers we had, and one of the bravest ; he seemed to know no fear.”

Another Officer writes :—

“... He was truly Irish, and at about the last place he was in there was an inscription put up over his dug-out, ‘Paddy’s Hut.’ It must have been put there by one of his men, but nobody could complain.”

This is the second gallant son the Public Trustee has lost in the War.



JOHN MAURICE STEWART

LIEUTENANT THE HON. K. A. STEWART

Royal Highlanders

Church Hill 07²-13²

Aged 20

May 9th, 1915

YOUNGER SON of Randolph, 11th Earl of Galloway (O.H.), and of the Countess of Galloway.

Monitor, 1911. Head of the School, 1912-13. Football XI, 1910-11-12 (Captain, 1912). School Fives Player, 1913. School Fencing Prize, 1911-12-13. Won Public Schools Fencing Competition, 1911, 2nd in 1913, and the Army Cup for Fencing at Olympia, 1914. Won the Macnamara Prize for an English Essay, 1911-12-13. Passed 2nd into the R.M.C., Sandhurst, 1913, and 5th out in 1914.

Lieutenant Stewart was gazetted to the Black Watch in August, 1914, and went to the Front in the following December. He served with the 2nd Battalion at the Battles of Givenchy, Neuve Chapelle, and Festubert. He fell on May 9th, 1915, leading his men in the charge from Bois du Biez towards the Aubers Ridge.

Of the many letters received the following is perhaps the most characteristic:—

“DEAR TAMMY,

“1st October, 1915.

“Just a note to let you know that I am alive and kicking. Things are much the same as when you left here. We have had one good kick up since you were wounded, that was on the 9th of May. We lost little Lieutenant Stewart, the best man that ever toed the line. You know what like he was; the arguments you and him used to have about politics. He always said you should have been Prime Minister. None of the rest of them ever mixed themselves with us the same as he done; he was a credit to the Regiment and to the father and mother that reared him; and, Tammy, the boys that are left of the Platoon hope that you will write to his father and mother and let them know how his men loved him, you can do it better than any of us. I enclose you a cutting out of a paper about his death. He died at the head of his Platoon, like the toff he was, and, Tammy, I never was very religious, but I think little Stewart is in heaven. We knew it was a forlorn hope before we were half-way, but he never flinched. Well, Tammy, see and write to Stewart's father and let him know how his men liked him, it will perhaps soften the blow. No more at present, but I remain your ever loving chum and well wisher.

“Good night and God bless you.

“SANDY.”



THE HON. KEITH ANTHONY STEWART

CAPTAIN J. A. TENNANT

Bedfordshire Regiment

Rendalls 03²-07¹

Aged 26

August 22nd, 1915

SECOND son of John Tennant and of Margaret Croom Tennant, of 19 The Boltons, S.W.

London University, B.Sc., A.C.G.I., 1911. In 1912 appointed to the Egyptian Irrigation Service, and was stationed at Tantah on the Delta, and afterwards at Luxor.

On the outbreak of the War Captain Tennant returned to England and was given a Commission in the Bedfordshire Regiment. He was rapidly promoted because of his previous experience in the Machine-Gun Section of the London Scottish, and was gazetted Captain in February, 1915. In May, 1915, he was sent with a draft of the 1st Border Regiment to Gallipoli and took part in the heavy fighting at the close of June. He was mortally wounded while leading his Company in the final assault at Suvla Bay, on August 21st, 1915. He died next day on board the Hospital Ship Rewa and was buried at sea.

Captain Tennant made certain improvements in the periscope rifle supplied to the troops, and his able drawings in explaining this improvement caused him to be selected to sketch the Turkish positions from on board a Destroyer, and later on from a Cruiser.

His Colonel writes :—

“Tennant was a first-class Officer, and, though he had been with us only a short time, I always felt I could place the utmost reliance on him to carry out any task, however difficult and dangerous. His ingenuity in the trenches at Helles was unbounded, and he invented many little improvements for periscope rifles and trench periscopes, which added largely to their utility. His panorama sketches were also first-class, and altogether he was a most valuable Officer, keen as mustard and a thoroughly good fellow.”



JOHN AMHERST TENNANT

CAPTAIN A. J. N. THOMAS

Lancashire Fusiliers

Elmfield 99³-02³

Aged 29

April 25th, 1915

ELDER SON of Jocelyn H. W. Thomas (O.H.), J.P., formerly Captain Scots Fusilier Guards, of Belmont, Carlow, Ireland.

R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Captain Thomas received his Commission in the Lancashire Fusiliers in 1905, and was promoted Captain in January, 1915. He went to the Front in February, 1915, and was killed at Lancashire Landing, in Gallipoli, on April 25th, 1915.



AUBREY JOCELYN NUGENT THOMAS

PRIVATE T. L. G. TURNBULL

Honourable Artillery Company

Moretons 063-112

Aged 22

April 15th, 1915

FOURTH and youngest son of the late Reginald March Turnbull, Ship-owner, and of Frances Clitheroe Turnbull.

Monitor, 1910. Cricket XI, 1909-10-11 (Captain, 1911). Football XI, 1910. School Racquet Player, 1911.

Trinity College, Cambridge.

Private Turnbull joined the H.A.C. a few days after war was declared, and went to France in December, 1914. He was mortally wounded when moving up from the support to the firing trench, near St. Eloi, on the night of the 14th April, 1915. In crossing a stream by a plank he was hit close to the heart by a bullet which had wounded the man in front of him in the arm. He was carried to the nearest hospital and died in a very few hours. He is buried at Dickebusch.

An Officer in the H.A.C. wrote to his brother :—

“It is with the utmost possible regret that I write to tell you of the death of your brother. . . . Please accept the sincerest sympathy of the Captain and all Officers, N.C.O.'s and men of B Company, who feel they have lost a very gallant comrade.”

A Private in B Company wrote :—

“I am afraid that I cannot express my feelings adequately in words, as poor Tommy was my very best friend out here, and his loss is absolutely irreparable . . . he was always so cheery and was the life and soul of the Section. . . . When we came down two days later I saw the R.A.M.C. orderly who was with him in hospital, and he was full of admiration for the great pluck he showed.”

Another of the Officers wrote :—

“I have seen a great deal of him, and I can honestly say I have never met a better sportsman in the very best sense of the word. As you may imagine, conditions out here have, on occasion, been very trying indeed, but he was invariably cheerful and did his job in the most soldierly way—in short, he was a white man.”



THOMAS LANCELOT GAWAIN TURNBULL

CAPTAIN R. T. VACHELL

Northumberland Fusiliers

The Head Master's 05¹-08²

Aged 25

September 1st, 1915

ONLY SON of Horace Annesley Vachell (O.H.), Novelist and Dramatist, of Beechwood House, Bartley, Southampton, and of Mrs. Vachell, *née* Phillips, of San Luis Obispo, California.

Football XI, 1907. Rugby XV, 1906-7.

He had considerable literary gifts, especially for the Short Story and the Drama, and contributed several articles to the *St. George's Gazette*. At one time he intended to go on the stage, but, on leaving Harrow, finally made up his mind to adopt the Army as a profession and went to Sandhurst.

Captain Vachell was gazetted to the Northumberland Fusiliers in 1910, and joined the 1st Battalion, at Gharial in the Murree Hills, the same year. Except for a short period in 1912, when he acted as A.D.C. to Lord Sydenham, the then Governor of Bombay, he served continuously with the 1st Battalion till the outbreak of the War. He left for France with his Regiment in August, 1914. He was all through the Retreat from Mons, but was wounded on October 20th, 1914, and invalided home. For his services at that time he was mentioned in Despatches. He was then seconded for service with the Flying Corps as Observation Officer, and took many remarkable photographs of the enemy's lines. Later he qualified as a Pilot and again went to France in July, 1915. On the 31st of August, as he was returning from a reconnaissance, he broke his propeller on landing; by some mischance the machine caught fire, and he and his Observer fell to earth from a height of about ten feet. They both extricated themselves without difficulty, but Vachell was badly burnt, and died next day from shock.

From the *St. George's Gazette* :—

"All who knew Dick Vachell will realize the loss the Regiment has suffered by his death. A sportsman through and through, keen as mustard, and the cheeriest of comrades, he made friends wherever he went. His peculiar power of making friends was never more apparent than among the French and Belgian Officers, with whom he mixed freely, when he was with the Flying Corps in Belgium."



RICHARD TANFIELD VACHELL

CAPTAIN G. N. WALFORD, V.C.

Royal Artillery

The Grove 95³-00²

Aged 32

April 26th, 1915

ONLY son of Colonel Neville Lloyd Walford (O.H.), Royal Artillery.
Entrance Scholar : Monitor, 1900. Sayer Scholar, 1900.
Balliol College, Oxford.

Married, in 1907, Betty, younger daughter of Colonel the Hon. J. S. Trefusis, and leaves two daughters.

Captain Walford entered the Royal Artillery as a University Candidate, heading the list, in December, 1902 ; he became Captain in 1914, and Brigade-Major in January, 1915. When war broke out he was at the Staff College and went out to France in the middle of August, being present at the Battle of the Aisne, and all the major engagements until January, 1915, when he was at Ypres, serving with two batteries and holding temporary Staff appointments. He then returned to England and sailed for the Dardanelles, as Brigade-Major, R.A., 29th Division. He was killed on April 26th, 1915, while helping to lead the attack on the village and fort of Sedd-el-Bahr, Gallipoli.

The General, commanding the 29th Division in the Dardanelles, wrote on April 27th, 1915 :—

“Alas, that I should have to write it, Captain Walford has been killed. He died gallantly, very, very gallantly, leading with Colonel Doughty Wyllie the attack on V Beach. We landed some men on that beach on the 25th . . . but further progress was impossible on that day. On the 26th Doughty Wyllie, with Walford assisting him, organized an advance, and, working through the village of Sedd-el-Bahr, . . . they finally managed to drive off the Turks and clear the beach of the enemy's fire that had rendered further landing impossible.

“In this glorious deed both Doughty Wyllie, Walford and many others lost their lives, but their gallantry saved the situation and has written their names on the pages of history. They achieved the impossible. They showed themselves Englishmen of the grand old mould. I esteem it an honour and a privilege to have known such gallant men.

“I am trying to get them both a suitable posthumous reward, and hope I may succeed. No honour could be too high for them.”

The honour they obtained was the V.C.



GARTH NEVILLE WALFORD

CAPTAIN G. L. WATSON

East Surrey Regiment

Small Houses 94³-98²

Aged 35

April 21st, 1915

ONLY son of Christopher Stowell Watson, Clerk in Holy Orders, and Eliza Mary Watson.

2nd Prize Heavy-weight Boxing, Public School Competition, 1898.
St. John's College, Oxford.

Captain Watson was originally gazetted to the 3rd East Surrey Regiment, and served in the South African War. He then resigned his Commission and bought a ranch in British Columbia. On the outbreak of war he returned from Canada and received another Commission in his old Regiment, as Lieutenant, being promoted Captain in April, 1915. He went to the Front in November, 1914, and was killed in action at Hill 60, on April 21st, 1915.

A brother-officer, writing to his sister, says :—

“It may be a little consolation to you to know he died the finest death a man can die, fighting for his country, honour, and liberty. He was killed in a glorious action where the deeds of the Regiment will never be forgotten, which mere words cannot describe. He was hit by a shell and death was instantaneous. His services will be greatly missed in the Regiment, and we all sympathise very deeply with you in your great loss. Your brother had been with us a long time, and all Officers and men loved him.”



GEOFFREY LAUNCELOT WATSON

2ND LIEUTENANT J. B. WEBB

North Staffordshire Regiment

Church Hill 08^s-13^s

Aged 20

April 21st, 1915

ONLY child of Captain Charles Boyer Webb and Adela Dorothy Webb, of Elford House, Tamworth, Staffordshire. Both his father, Captain C. B. Webb, and his grandfather, Colonel C. J. Webb, served in the 4th Battalion, North Staffordshire Regiment, his grandfather commanding it.

Entrance Scholar : Fifth Form Scholar, 1911. Shooting VIII, 1913.
Trinity College, Cambridge.

2nd Lieutenant Webb received his Commission in August, 1914, and went to the Front in March, 1915, where he was attached to the 1st Bedfordshire Regiment. He was killed on the night of 20th-21st April, 1915, at Hill 60, near Ypres. His last words were, "This is going to be a glorious death."

Major Allason, of the Bedfordshire Regiment, writes, quoting a letter from Captain Green who was in command of C Company at the time :—

"It would appear that your son anticipated the end and gloried in the fight. He must have been on the extreme left, as it was there that the pressure was greatest during the early part of the night. Whether the actual trench in which he fell was regained later I cannot say : the whole front was only 120 yards, and the fighting swayed to and fro over about 20 or 30 yards. Many of the trenches were obliterated by shell fire. Our men were heroic ; they were determined not to give way, and I can well understand your son's enthusiasm. It will be recorded in history as one of the finest fights of the War. In C Company there were 111 casualties out of 160 men, and 3 officers out of 4 were killed."

In another letter he writes :—

"An Officer in the Norfolks who saw the fight from some neighbouring trenches described it to me later as the finest fight in the War . . . the conduct of all ranks was simply heroic. Your son had a peculiarly happy disposition, and, I think, thoroughly enjoyed life to the very end. He is a great loss."



JOHN BOYER WEBB

CAPTAIN C. A. WERNER

Rifle Brigade

Harrow Master, 1901-15

Aged 38

May 9th, 1915

SECOND SON of Israel Paul Werner, Merchant, of The Gerards, Harrow-on-the-Hill, and of the late Julie Werner.

Educated at Dulwich College, and King's College, Cambridge, Scholar, 1st Class Classical Tripos, Part I. Cambridge University Swimming Team, 1897-1900, President Cambridge University Swimming Club, 1900. Assistant Master, Harrow School, 1901. House Master in the Head Master's from 1907 to 1913.

Captain Werner was gazetted to the 6th Battalion, Rifle Brigade, in October, 1914. He went to the Front in March, 1915, and was then attached to the 2nd Battalion. He was reported 'missing' after the attack on the Aubers Ridge, near Fromelles, on May 9th, 1915, and his death has now been presumed on that date.

Lieut.-Colonel R. S. Stephens, commanding 2nd Battalion, Rifle Brigade, wrote:—

"It is with the greatest regret that I write to tell you that Captain Werner is missing. He has been with my Battalion for the last two months and has been of the greatest help to me. He was a most capable Officer, and I have seldom seen his equal for untiring keenness. He was commanding a Company in the Battalion and was quite as good at it as any regular Officer.

"His was one of the two leading Companies of the Battalion in the attack we made on May 9th. Our men got into the German trench, and, in accordance with orders, pushed on to a road about 300 yards beyond it. Unfortunately the troops on our right and left failed to get in, and our leading Companies were taken in flank and rear by machine-guns, from the untaken part of the German trenches.

"Captain Werner was last seen leading a party of men against some of the enemy who had established themselves on the right flank of his Company. I am afraid it is no good holding out great hopes of his being alive. Our men on the road were shot to bits, and very few of them got back. We managed to hold the captured trench for twenty-four hours; but during that time the road in front of it was heavily shelled by both sides.

"I have put his name forward to be mentioned in Despatches, and, I hope, rewarded; but I am afraid we have lost a very gallant Officer."



CHARLES AUGUSTUS WERNER

2ND LIEUTENANT L. C. WILSON

Norfolk Regiment

Moretons 09³-14³

Aged 19

August 12th, 1915

ELDEST son of Cecil and Annie M. Wilson, of High House, Thorpe, Norwich.

Trinity College, Cambridge.

2nd Lieutenant Wilson received his Commission in December, 1914, in the 3rd Battalion, Norfolk Regiment, and after nearly six months' training at Felixstowe went to the Front in June, 1915. He was severely wounded at Hill 60, on July 7th, and died in Hospital at 17 Park Lane, W., on August 12th, 1915. He is buried at Thorpe.

A brother-officer wrote :—

“He was a gentleman in the gentlest sense of that fine word, a true sportsman, a dear pal. He has given all he had to what he cherished more than life itself. His memory remains to encourage those of us who knew him in the great task, and to sweeten our lives, if better fortune should await us.”

The Senior Captain of his Company writes :—

“He was keen, a hard worker and quite regardless of danger—just the man one likes to have in one's Company.”

His dying wish was that he might have a little tablet put up to him at Harrow, “where some of my best days were spent.”



LAURENCE CECIL WILSON

LIEUTENANT R. B. WINCH

Royal East Kent Yeomanry

Druries 09¹-12²

Aged 20

April 18th, 1915

ONLY child of Lieut.-Colonel George Bluett Winch and of Mrs. Bluett Winch, of Boughton Place, near Maidstone.

After leaving Harrow he spent six months in France, and six months travelling round the world. He had matriculated at Trinity College, Cambridge, but did not go into residence owing to the outbreak of the War.

Lieutenant Winch joined the Royal East Kent Yeomanry and was training with his Regiment in England. He was accidentally shot by a sentry, whilst on duty, when returning in a motor-car from a recruiting concert on April 16th, 1915. He died at the Hospital at Ramsgate two days later.



RONALD BLUETT WINCH

2ND LIEUTENANT F. T. SEPPINGS WRIGHT

113th Infantry (Indian Army)

Home Boarders 99²-01¹

Aged 30

July 21st, 1915

ELDER son of the late H. C. Seppings Wright, War Correspondent and Artist, and of Mrs. Seppings Wright.

Royal School of Mines, Cornwall, and afterwards in the Public Works Department in India.

2nd Lieutenant Seppings Wright, who was in India when the War broke out, volunteered for service in November, 1914, and was given a Commission in the 113th Infantry (Indian Army). In April, 1915, he brought over 70 men to fill the gaps in the 6th Jat Light Infantry, to which he was then attached. He was accidentally killed in France on July 21st, 1915, by the explosion of a bomb.

Captain R. S. Baker wrote to his mother on the day of his death:—

“In the name of the Regiment I write to send you our deepest sympathy in the loss of your son. On the 19th July he was superintending the bombing practice of his Company, and, while he was demonstrating how to throw a bomb, it burst in his hand. He lingered through the 19th and 20th, and died to-day in Merville Hospital, having never recovered consciousness. The accident was due to some defect in the bomb. . . . We all feel his loss terribly. He was the life and soul of the Mess, and I in no way exaggerate when I say the men loved him.”

A Major in the 113th Infantry wrote:—

“In the two and a half months he was with us he proved himself a brave and competent Officer. He was most popular with his brother-officers and with all Indian ranks, and his unflagging optimism and good spirits were of the utmost value. I am sure that a comrade has never been more deeply mourned.”



FRANK THOMAS SEPPINGS WRIGHT

TROOPER C. J. O. WRIGLEY

King Edward's Horse

Moretons 07³-11³

Aged 21

May 26th, 1915

ELDEST son of Oswald Osmond Wrigley (O.H.), Barrister-at-Law, of Shackleford House, Godalming, and of Emma Wrigley.
Trinity College, Cambridge.

Trooper Wrigley joined the 2nd King Edward's Horse soon after the outbreak of the War and went out to France on May 2nd, 1915. About three weeks later he was shot in the head and killed instantaneously, while standing by his Machine Gun, near Festubert.

The Officer Commanding Gun Section, 2nd King Edward's Horse, writes:—

“He had proved himself a brave and fearless soldier, and his loss will be deeply felt, both by myself and his fellow-comrades.”



CHRISTOPHER JAMES OSWALD WRIGLEY

CAPTAIN H. T. W. WYLLIE

4th Dragoon Guards

Moretons 88²-90²

Aged 41

May 24th, 1915

SECOND son of Colin Campbell and Mary Wyllie, of 10 Launceston Place, Kensington, W.

Captain Wyllie joined the 4th (Royal Irish) Dragoon Guards in 1896, being promoted Captain in 1905. He saw service on the North-West Frontier with the Tirah Expeditionary Force in 1897-8, receiving the Tirah Medal with two clasps, and the Punjab Frontier Medal. During the years 1909-11 he was attached to the Northern Nigerian Rifles, and was himself the only white Officer in charge of a detachment of African soldiers on the borders of Lake Chad for a considerable time. He retired in 1912, and was placed on the list of Reserve of Officers. On the outbreak of the War he was gazetted for service with his old Regiment and went to the Front towards the end of 1914. Coming home on leave in May, 1915, he returned to France on May 23rd, and was reported 'missing' on May 24th. He is now believed to have been killed by a shell on the morning of May 24th, on the Ypres-Menin road.



HUGH TWEED WALFORD WYLLIE

CAPTAIN P. C. WYNTER

East Surrey Regiment

Druries 94'-96

Aged 35

April 20th, 1915

ELDEST son of the late Captain Philip H. M. Wynter (O.H.), King's Foreign Service Messenger, of the Hays, Charlbury, Oxon, and of the late Mrs. Wynter.

Captain Wynter joined the 1st Battalion, East Surrey Regiment, from the Militia in December, 1901, and spent a year with his Regiment in India. He was promoted Lieutenant in November, 1903, and got his Company in January, 1910.

He was a good cricketer and an excellent horseman.

He went to the Front in November, 1914, and served all through the winter of 1914-15. Shortly before his death he was invalided home for a fortnight. On April 20th, 1915, he was reported 'wounded and missing, believed killed,' after the fight at Hill 60, and nothing having been heard of him since, his death has been presumed on that date.



PHILIP CECIL WYNTER

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